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Two Britons fail drug test at Olympics

Guilty finalists will be named in Seoul today

From John Goodbody in Seoul and Andrew Morgan in London

Two British competitors in the Olympic Games have been positively tested for drugs after an analysis of the first sample of their urine.

The British Olympic Association confirmed yesterday that "there have been adverse reports about two British competitors". No names or events were disclosed.

But if the second sample also proves positive – and never before in the history of doping control has it contradicted the first – and if no satisfactory explanation is given by the competitors, then British competitors face disqualification from the Olympic Games for the first time.

The identities of the two competitors are not expected to be known until today but the positive samples are understood to have come from individuals who took part in finals on Wednesday. The International Olympic Committee has already cleared all the sports men and women participating in events up until Tuesday night.

Among the Britons who took part in finals on Wednesday were: the equestrian team in the jumping competition; Andrew Davies and Mark Thomas in the heavyweight class in weightlifting; Sally Gunnell in the 400 metres hurdle; Linford Christie and Michael Rosswess in the 200 metres; the representatives in the women's foil in fencing and in judo Neil Adams at light middleweight and Diane Bell in the women's lightweight demonstration competition.

The IOC tests the first four in every event and then another competitor at random.

OLYMPIC UPDATE

Daley Thompson's reign as Olympic champion ended yesterday when he finished fourth in the decathlon. In the women's events, Florence Griffith Joyner and her sister-in-law, Jackie Joyner Kersee, both won gold medals, the former in the 200 metres, the latter in the long jump.

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The urine of competitors who are tested is split between two sealed containers. The first 'A' sample is examined and if any traces of a banned substance is discovered then the individuals are informed and invited to give evidence and be present when the second or 'B' sample is analysed.

It is possible that the two British competitors will be able to give satisfactory explanations to the International Olympic Committee Medical Commission, whose president is Prince Alexandre de Merode of Belgium.

Last week two members of Britain's modern pentathlon team, winners of a bronze medal, were interviewed by the commission because minor traces of a banned substance were found in their urine.

Richard Phelps and Dominic Mahony were questioned by the commission which thought that the substances might have been contained in cough mixture or travel sickness pills which they took on the flight to Seoul.

The commission was satisfied with the explanation of the competitors and exonerated them. They have retained their bronze medals.

Meanwhile in London, it emeged that a British sportsman will today be reported to his governing body for taking anabolic steroids in what is being described as a "serious" case which could end his career.

The report from the Drug Control Centre will be sent to the sport's governing body for possible disciplinary action. The Sports Council will also receive a copy.

Last night the centre declined to name the sport until the body involved has studied the findings.

It is thought unlikely that the sportsman is a member of Britain's Olympic squad in Seoul.

But Dr David Cowan, head of the Drug Control Centre, attached to King's College, in west London, told *The Times*: "*This is a case which is* especially serious and I cannot conceive on an adequate defence. It is tempting to say that it should end his career but maybe I should not make such comments."

Dr Cowan added that he believed that under-funding of the centre meant that only a fraction of athletes taking drugs were being detected.

"Maybe the public thinks steroid abuse is only occasional, but it happens all the time", he added.

The positive sample was taken at an event a few weeks ago and was found to contain two different steroids. Dr Cowan does not know the sportsman's name because all urine samples are coded.

The urine had been separated into two samples, with each reduced to further portions and each subject to a particular screening. A senior member of staff was alerted.

TOMORROW IN COLOUR

'With sickening, stupid fear I realized that I was

being fired on and I pulled my Spitfire round, hard . . .'

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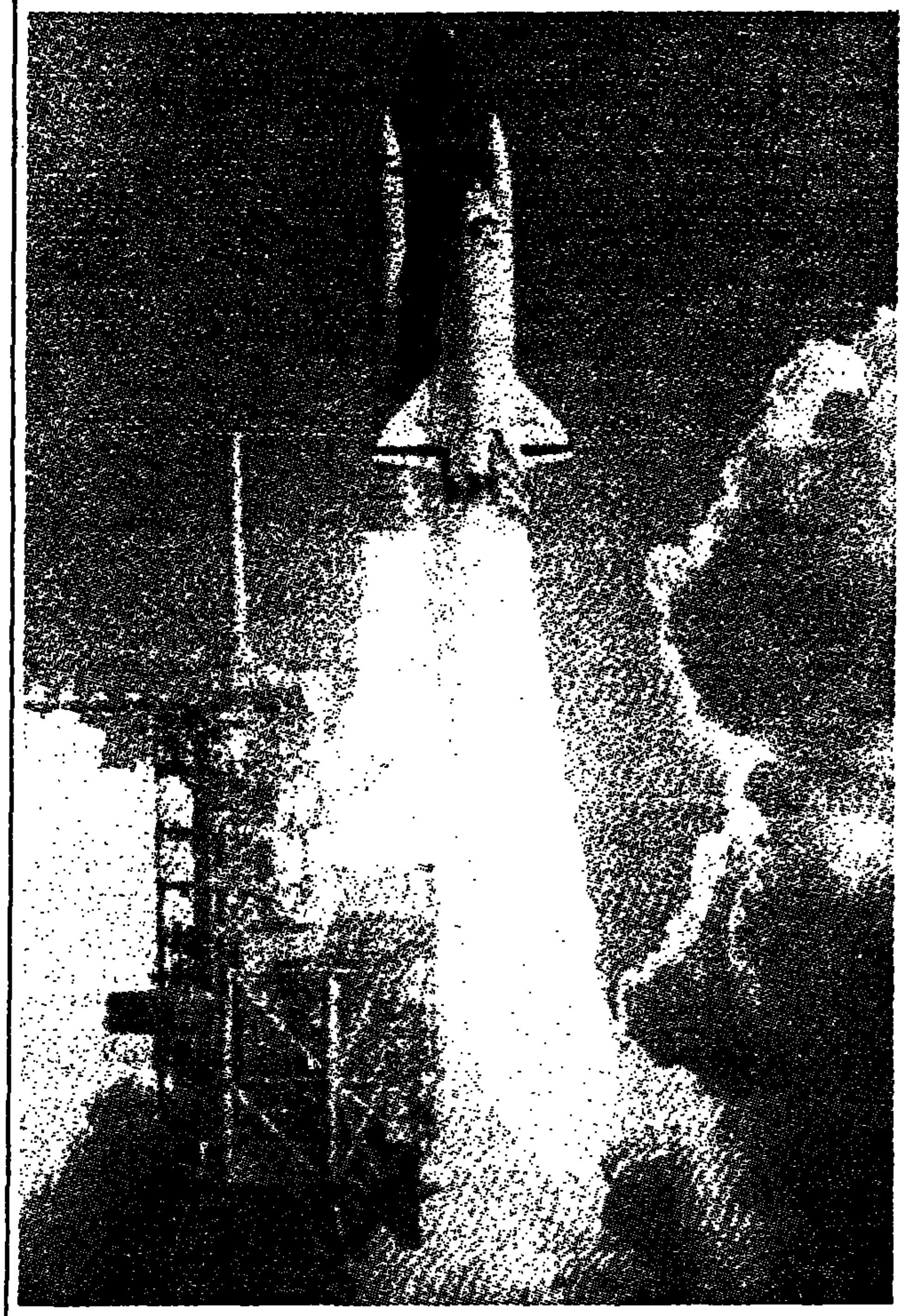
America launched back into the space race



Discovery blasting off from Cape Canaveral yesterday on its long-delayed four-day mission.

Discovery ends the months of doubt for Nasa

From Christopher Thomas, Cape Canaveral, Florida

America returned triumphantly to manned space flight yesterday when the shuttle Discovery blasted off flawlessly from the Kennedy Space Centre after a tense 98-minute delay caused by freak wind conditions high in the atmosphere.

A million people swarmed into the Cape Canaveral area to watch as the vessel thundered into a cloud-splattered sky, trailing thick white smoke. Everything went perfectly. "This is the first flight in a new era," Mr James Fletcher, director of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration said.

The four-day mission ends with touch-down on Monday at Edwards Air Force base in California. Discovery is the product of a £2.4 billion redesign after the Challenger disaster 32 months ago, which killed the seven-member crew and paralyzed America's space programme.

Yesterday began with the agonizing news that the weather was unsuitable for launch. The computer software on board Discovery was programmed for the probability that the winds in the upper reaches of the atmosphere would be blowing from the north-east at around 25 knots.

In fact they were blowing at 40 knots from the west. Nasa officials said there was not time to amend the software and still go ahead with the launch, which had a three-hour "window" from 9.59am to 12.59pm. The next opportunity for a lift-off would have come today.

Weather balloons were sent aloft several times until, finally, they sent back news that the winds had moderated.

Mr Robert Sieck, the launch director and a former astronaut, described it as a great day for America. "Everyone stands tall today. Tens of thousands of people everywhere in the United States worked to make this happen."

Within 13 minutes of blast-off Discovery was over the coast of Africa, having dropped its two rocket boosters exactly on schedule. Emergency landing facilities had been on standby in California, Spain and Morocco. It was the 26th shuttle launch since the first flight in April, 1981.

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About 36 minutes into the flight, when Discovery was over southern Africa, the engines gave their final burn to thrust the craft towards orbit. The mission's objective is to deploy a huge £100 million communications satellite similar to one destroyed in the Challenger disaster on January 28, 1986.

A large number of future flights will be reserved for carrying equipment and people to a space station 220 miles above the earth, and which is due to be operational by 1996.

Soviet parliament to follow crisis talks

From A Correspondent in Moscow and Mary Dejevsky in London

The Soviet authorities yesterday emphasized the importance of today's extraordinary plenum of the Central Committee by announcing that it would be followed by a special session of the Soviet parliament.

The last special session of the token parliament was nine years ago and was called to adopt the Soviet Constitution. Tomorrow's session will only be the eighth special session in Soviet history.

Although the reasons for Mr Mikhail Gorbachov's decision to summon a surprise meeting of the Central Committee remain unclear, the calling of a landmark parliamentary session immediately after shows the stakes are high.

The recall of Mr Eduard Shevardnadze, the Foreign Minister, from New York, and Mr Dmitri Yazov, the Defence Minister, from India suggests that Mr Gorbachov wants to muster all the support he can. The Politburo was scheduled to hold a regular meeting yesterday evening on Mr Shevardnadze's return.

Mr Gorbachov, who in speeches since last week has expressed frustration at the lack of progress of his reform drive known as *perestroika*, has pledged to press on despite disappointing results.

In a speech last Friday he gave his most gloomy assessment yet of progress, admitting that restructuring was losing ground.

By calling the plenum and the *special session of parliament* he seems to be trying to force the pace of reform and get *perestroika* moving again. The short notice ensures that his detractors would have little time to organize resistance if he has decided to push through his reforms ahead of schedule. But it might also mean that Mr Gorbachov wanted to pre-empt an early move by opponents.

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On the agenda is restructuring the party apparatus, a move on the cards since a special party conference last *June endorsed* Mr Gorbachov's call for sweeping political reform. But the agenda alone did not appear to justify the sudden recall of Mr Shevardnadze and Mr Yazov.

"Why couldn't they have the plenum next week?" one Western diplomat said, puzzled by the apparent urgency of the Central Committee meeting.

Mr Vadim Perfiliyev, Foreign Ministry spokesman, hinted yesterday that more issues would be on the agenda, saying that the meeting would be expected to issue "new guidelines" for *perestroika*.

But the Foreign Ministry spokesman was otherwise uninformative, saying that as he was not a member of the Central Committee he had "no information" on what *would be discussed*.

A Supreme Soviet session often follows Central Committee meetings on policy and *since last year, the parliament* has enacted key reforms. But it was not clear from Tass reports whether the 1,500 members of the Supreme Soviet would on Saturday vote on constitutional changes or on proposed legislation.

The plenum comes at a crucial period for *perestroika*, and coincides with a disappointing Soviet harvest, renewed ethnic unrest in Armenia and Azerbaijan, and considerable popular discontent with living standards.

In a speech on Wednesday night, Mr Gorbachov insisted that radical changes in the structure of Soviet society were essential.

"Any one of our current burning problems underscores the necessity for radical change," he told a guest at a *dinner for the visiting East* German leader, Herr Erich Honecker.

Ashdown speech sets new course

By Robin Oakley, Political Editor

Mr Paddy Ashdown, ex-marine, enthused his 2,000 party activists in Blackpool yesterday by seeking to redefine patriotism and to wrest the Union Jack from the Conservatives.

The Democrats' leader, whose declared political strategy is to seek to replace the Labour Party, scarcely mentioned the official opposition, in a significant switch of tactics.

More than a third of his speech was devoted to a series of *sharp attacks* on Mrs Thatcher and the Conservative Government, in contrast to his speech at a rally on Sunday night.

His first party conference speech as leader won him a lengthy ovation after he highlighted the environmental issues which have moved to the top of the political agenda, saying: "The green approach must be at the heart of our politics." He proclaimed his faith in Europe at a time when Mrs Thatcher is emphasizing her reservations. Once again he rejected any question of pacts or coalitions with other parties. In a move designed to soothe the feelings of ex-Liberal MPs nettled over the party's change of name Mr Ashdown, who on Sunday called for the party to jettison its historical baggage, emphasized the strengths of the past Liberal tradition.

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Mr Ashdown also called for an autumn mini-Budget from the Chancellor, saying that this should include a removal of the income ceiling on National Insurance contributions, joining the European

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Urgent call to improve rig safety

Six areas of operations in offshore oil installations were yesterday highlighted for urgent safety improvements by Department of Energy experts investigating the Piper Alpha oil rig disaster in July, in which 167 people died.

The interim report from a technical investigation team headed by Mr Jim Petrie, director of safety at the Department, says companies should take immediate steps to review evacuation and firefighting procedures, the *operability of liferafts and the* ability of emergency control systems to survive accidents.

Broadly confirming early *versions of the disaster, the* report says that the explosion almost certainly was caused by a devastating build-up of *gas in the main compressor*

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Fraud inquiry into Harrods takeover

By John Bell, City Editor

The Serious Fraud Office has been called in to examine matters arising from the Government investigation into House of Fraser, the Harrods department stores group.

Lord Young of Graffham, the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry, passed the inspectors' report and other papers to the Serious Fraud Office.

Two *inspectors* were appointed in April last year to investigate and report on the affairs of House of Fraser, and in particular the circumstances surrounding the acquisition of shares in the group during 1984 and 1985.

House of Fraser was bought by the Egyptian-born Fayed brothers for more than £600 million. The deal has been the subject of bitter criticism from Mr Roland "Tiny" Rowland, the chief executive of Lonrho, the international trading company. Mr Rowland had been fighting for a number of years to win control of House of Fraser.

Mr Rowland is likely to see the investigation by the Serious Fraud Office as a vindication of his campaign, during which he has levelled heavy criticism at Government ministers and civil servants.

Lonrho rushed out a statement *yesterday afternoon*, to the effect that the investigation was not concerned with its own affairs, on the authority of the Deputy Director of the Serious Fraud Office.

The 185-page report of the inspectors was completed in July and sent to Lord Young's office and it was expected that he would publish the report in the next few weeks.

The Fayed brothers said last night that they were not concerned by the latest developments.

Concorde cracks Soviet TV advertising barrier

By Harvey Elliott
Air Correspondent

More than 180 million Russians will see Concorde soar into space on Sunday night as the result of a coup by Saatchi and Saatchi in persuading Russian state *television to allow an* advertisement for British Airways during one of the most popular quiz shows in the Soviet Union.

British Airways' latest *30-second* advertisement, showing Concorde hurtling through space, will be shown immediately after the main evening news during an *international quiz* programme called *What, Where and When*.

The deal was clinched by Saatchi's deputy managing director, Mr Michael Parker, who first went to Russia in February when rumours started circulating in the advertising world that the Russians were considering opening up *their state television to* Western advertising during certain selected programmes.

"Although they said they were interested generally they could not come to an immediate decision so we asked them to keep us advised," said Mr Parker. "We were taken by surprise by the speed with which they responded and out of the blue got a call saying that they would accept our advtisement for this Sunday's show. We are naturally very excited."

British Airways, who will become the first European company to advertise *on* Russian television, snapped up the chance of getting the "World's Favourite Airline" known to the audience of the show, which is rapdily becoming a cult programme *among better-off Russians. "It will* raise our profile in a very important market," said a BA spokesman.

During Sunday's quiz a team of Russian students will compete against American students and the audience figures, which are already among the biggest in the Soviet Union, are expected to climb still further.

"Until now the Russians have not allowed advertisements except in semi educational programmes where, for example, they might allow a farming equipment manufacturer to give his name during a programme on crop rotation," said Mr Parker. "Now they are gradually exploring ways of letting more Western companies avdertise on their programmes. We see it more as a general public *relations opportunity for our clients* rather than as a direct selling avdertisement but the possibilities of extending the idea in the future are *enormous*."

British Airways now fly to Moscow nine times a week and once a week to Leningrad in competition with Aeroflot and are already well in the lead in the race to attract passengers.

Saatchi and Saatchi have also negotiated similar advertising space for ICI and the delivery company DHL on the same programme. No American company has so far been given permission to advertise on ***What, Where and When***.

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NEWS ROUNDUP

Threat of strike at Post Office

The Post Office is threatened with another strike after the Union of Communication Workers yesterday announced that its members in the counters division narrowly voted for industrial action over moves from management to regrade 750 Crown Offices into sub-offices. The union believes the programme will led to 5,000 job losses .A secret ballot of the 25,000 counter staff showed 51 fifty one per cent in favour of action, a majority of just 353. A strike committee has been set up and Mr Alan Tuffin, the union's general secretary, will today meet regional and area officials. Mr John Roberts, managing director of Post Office Counters, yesterday denied he was planning a closure programme.

Hurd warns jail staff

Prison officers will be suspended without pay if they refuse to work properly, Mr Douglas Hurd, Home Secretary, told leaders of their union yesterday. He also threatened to suspend management collection of union subscriptions to the Prison Officers' Association. The association has three weeks to achieve "real progress" in ending industrial action.

● The National Union of Civil and Public Servants announced yesterday that 400 administration staff in 140 prisons in England and Wales had voted for a work to rule.

Film director jailed

An amateur film director, Dorian Cowland, was jailed for five years yesterday for sexually assaulting boys. Mr David Elfer, QC, for the defence, said Cowland, a chartered accountant from Bishop's Cleeve, Gloucestershire, was an internationally acclaimed director responsible for 100 children's feature films. Roger Lambert, a film-maker at Southampton University, of Bitterne Park, Southampton, was also jailed for assaults on boys he met through Cowland. Bristol Crown Court was told Cowland committed more than 500 assaults over 13 years on children as young as 10.

Forecast on weather

Parts of England could have weather similar to that in north-west Spain because of rises in temperature or other climactic changes expected to result from the greenhouse effect, the Atmospheric Impacts Research Group at Birmingham University says in a report. Such changes could greatly increase the annual £800 million insurance cost of weather-related damage and the £200 million a year lost in industrial production, says the report. It says Britain could face more storms and droughts.

Civil Servants' plea

The leadership of Britain's biggest Civil Service union has told the GMB general union to put forward its arguments for a merger direct to the association's 145,000 members. Mr John Ellis, general secretary of the Civil and Public Services Association, yesterday said he was determined that his members should have the option of amalgamating with the GMB instead of merging with another Civil Service union. The CPSA has twice rejected a merger with the National Union of Civil and Public Servants. If delegates refuse again next year, the way will be open to merge with the GMB.

Drug smugglers jailed

Three men who smuggled heroin worth £1.7 million into Britain were jailed at Southwark Crown Court, south London, yesterday. Ismail Kayabas, aged 33, Mustapha Izzet, aged 34, and Ozkan Debbag, aged 43, all Turkish Cypriots, were arrested in an operation codenamed Lysander Three last January. Izzet and Debbag got 14 years each, and Kayabas seven years. Izzet was also ordered to pay £306,336 under a confiscation order or face extra time in prison.

Jarre takes a seat for rock around the docks

Jean-Michel Jarre, the French rock musician, makes himself comfortable yesterday at London's Royal Victoria Docks where he will give two concerts next weekend.

The show, which will feature lasers, fireworks and holograms, is expected to be seen by more than 1 million people. It was planned originally for last Saturday, but Newham Council rejected it on safety grounds. Jarre brought in a team of traffic experts and agreed to split the concert over two days. The concert was finally given the go-ahead at a special council meeting earlier this week.

"I can not stress enough how keen I am to do the concerts and I am delighted with the council's decision", he said.

Jarre is currently catching up on rehearsal time for the concert, which was billed as one of the biggest ever before it was split over two days, and has cost £5 million to organize.

(Photograph: Denzil McNeelance)

Europe set to back British Nissans in French dispute

By Michael Dynes in Brussels and Sheila Gunn and Daniel Ward in London

The European Commission is set to back Britain's protest at the French block on importing Nissan cars made at the company's Sunderland plant.

A commission spokesman said:"Even without the internal market programme, the fact that Nissan assembles cars in the community gives them a right in principle to access to other member states. If France believes that Nissan is abusing European content rules, it will have to prove it."

In theory the French Government could be brought before the European Court of Justice by Britain, the commission or French motor car importers for breach of treaty trade rules.

However, commission officials are confident that the problem will be ironed out informally.

Lord Young of Graffham, Secretary of State for Industry, will be at the Sunderland factory today to see the first Bluebird model for export off the production line .

Lord Young yesterday said he expected an early decision by France to drop its ban on imports of British-built Nissan cars. He is confident the EEC will back him in complaining to the French that "they have to play the game". France's demand that the cars must be at least 80 per cent European was "clearly wrong" and "unacceptable". Lord Cockfield, the EEC Commissioner, has been asked to take up Lord Young's protest in Brussels where it is expected to "receive considerable sympathy".

The French moves appear to breach both the EEC's free trade rules and the commission's internal market programme, designed to remove all trade barriers within the community by 1992.

German car maker Volkswagen yesterday looked ready to join the protest.

Ulster JP says law is breaking down

By Jamie Dettmer

A Northern Ireland magistrate yesterday told the Government that the Province's legal system was breaking down. Mr Chris Milner, gave the warning after presiding over a case where 12 witnesses failed to appear to testify against a man charged with attempted murder.

Four of the witnesses appeared following the issue of warrants. But all four refused to testify at Armagh magistrates court. Three of the witnesses were father, son and daughter. The father said he had received a threatening telephone call and feared for the safety of his family.

The fourth told the court that he could not testify because he had been warned that if he did so he would have his "knee caps blown off."

The accused man, Mr Dermot Quinn, aged 24, of Moy, Co. Tyrone, was discharged. He was accused of attempting to murder two police officers on April 13. He also faced charges of possessing firearms and ammunition and of holding hostages.

The magistrate said: "Northern Ireland courts are supposed to function under the same laws as England and Wales. Perhaps the Government will take note of the situation. People have failed to do their public duty and the legal process has broken down."

This is the second time this year that an Ulster court has discharged defendants because witnesses refused to testify.

Universities look for new ways to boost their intake

By Sam Kiley, Universities Reporter

University vice-chancellors are to consider ways of increasing the number of students they admit by looking for "additional sources of finance" — which could mean rich parents will have to pay for their children's education.

"Our main thrust is the desire to increase the number of students from diverse backgrounds coming into the university system", Sir Mark Richmond, vice-chancellor of Manchester University, said. He is also chairman of the Committee of Vice Chancellors and Principals which held its annual conference in Oxford this week.

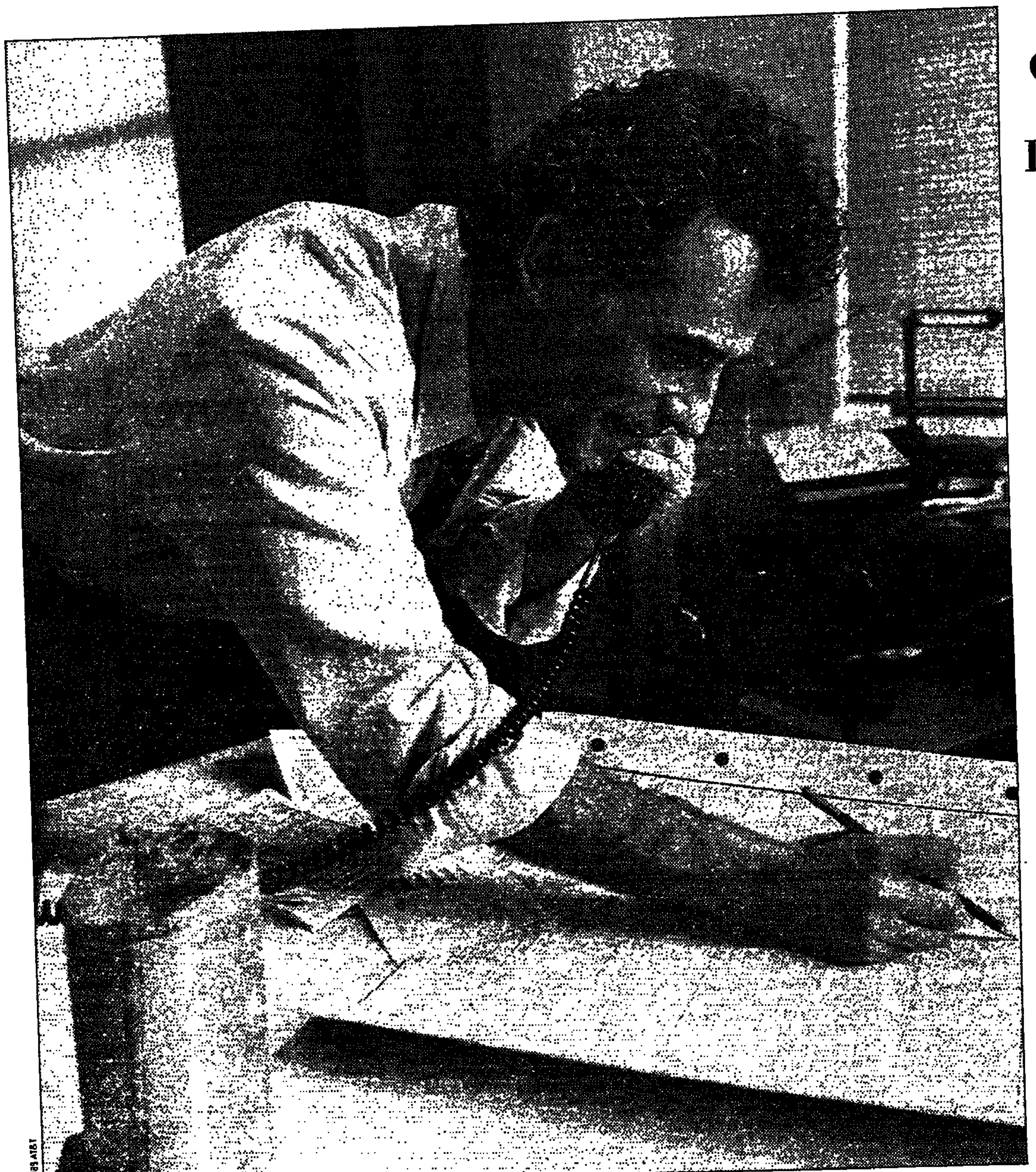
He said that the present system — by which the bulk of university tuition fees are paid by the University Grants Committee while a nominal sum of £578 comes from local authorities — was "creaking" and that a wider scale of funding was a "real need" or the dearth of graduates predicted in the 1990s would be "catastrophic". Vice-chancellors returned to their colleges yesterday charged with the task of coming up with basic principals for widening the sources of university teaching revenue.

That means they will be questioning the hitherto universally held idea that students who win a place at university automatically qualify for government funding of tuition fees.

Sir Graham Hills, vice-chancellor of Strathclyde University, said the decision was a "watershed" in the history of the committee.

"The fundamental principal must be that changes should not deter students from low income families and obviously they must also not reduce the number of students", Sir Mark said.

Despite the universities' genuine commitment to widening their recruiting base to potential students from "non-traditional backgrounds", a briefing document, supplied to university heads before their conference, reveals an equally strong sense of self preservation.



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Pensioners fear for life savings after executive vanishes

By Mark Ellis

Hundreds of pensioners were waiting yesterday to find out if they had lost their savings after a businessman disappeared when his company was closed with up to £1 million of investors' money unaccounted for.

Mr Kevin Raisbeck, who is believed to be in the United States, ran Bestdown Financial Services, which specialized in handling "golden handshake" redundancy payments and savings of former workers at the Vauxhall car plant in Luton, Bedfordshire.

Police have sent 400 circulars to people who may have invested with Mr Raisbeck, who has not been seen since the sale of North Lodge, his £200,000 house in Welwyn, Hertfordshire.

Bestdown, which went into liquidation this week, is being investigated by the Securities and Investments Board and the Department of Trade and Industry.

The business was run from an office at the London Aviation Centre at Luton Airport, but kept as an entirely separate operation.

Mr Leonard Dunn, who retired from Vauxhall after 22 years with a lump sum, said the company had recommended that he approach Bestdown.

Mr Dunn, aged 74, said: "I had been a saver all my life and I took up the offer. After a while Raisbeck appeared on the scene, but I stayed with the company. I was told I would get the best profit possible on what I was putting in and I took out a four-year plan. Whenever I wanted to pay money in I would phone up and hand over a cheque to Bestdown."

He invested thousands through the company, even giving it the profits from the sale of his three-bedroom house in Luton three years ago.

"It looks like I may have lost everything. It took me 56 years to get all my money, scrimping and scraping, buying and selling. Now I haven't got any chance of making any money and I have got to alter my will."

Mr Dunn was once invited to meet Mr Raisbeck at his office at Luton Airport. "He was a very jovial and friendly man who seemed to know what he was doing", he said.

Last December Mr Raisbeck, as managing director of London Aviation Centre, was behind the launch of a £10 million development of a luxury air terminal for executive passengers at Luton Airport. The company was opened at the airport in January 1987 by Mr Michael Spicer, the aviation minister.

Luton police have discovered that Mr Raisbeck, the brother of a former Hertfordshire police officer, does not intend to return to Britain in the near future.

Det Insp Alan Burns said: "It is still very early days and until we get the circulars back from the pensioners we won't have a clear picture. We could be talking about a £1 million, but at the moment we don't know where the money is or what has happened to it."

Mr John Carlisle, Conservative MP for Luton North, said yesterday he had received a letter from one constituent who may have lost up to £60,000.

"I am afraid that on the information I have received so far it looks as if this could be a tragedy for a large number of pensioners in my constituency. I am going to ask for a full Government investigation", Mr Carlisle said.

A spokesman for London Aviation Centre Limited said: "Mr Kevin Raisbeck is no longer a director of London Aviation Centre Ltd, his separate activities were run independently of his role in the centre. We have not heard from or seen Mr Raisbeck for approximately two months."

Mr Tom Dobbyn, a spokesman for Vauxhall, said that for several years it had been company policy not to advise workers on what to do with their savings.

"However, before that time if an employee had asked for advice I understand we would have provided some general guidelines. I cannot be specific about what those guidlines would have been as there are no hard facts in our records", he said.

Mr Dobbyn said the company would never have given employees the name of a specific company in which to invest their money.

Stars' laughter celebrates a life

Guests at the memorial service for Kenneth Williams yesterday included (from top, clockwise) Gordon Jackson, Barbara Windsor, Robert Chiddell, aged 12, the actor's godson, Stanley Baxter and Kenneth Connor.

St Paul's, Covent Garden, the "actors' church", rang to the laughter and applause yesterday of friends of Kenneth Williams, the comedian.

The star of the *Carry On* films, aged 62, famous for his imitations and nasal cackle, was found dead in his flat in April from an overdose of sleeping pills.

There was to be no mourning at his *memorial service yesterday.* Barbara Windsor, the actress, a lifelong friend and *Carry On* colleague, said: "Today is a celebration day. There will be no tears. We will have a nice time thinking about *Kenneth and we will have a big laugh."*

Derek Nimmo, so often the foil to Kenneth Williams on the radio panel game *Just A Minute*, said during the service: "He was deeply shy yet extrovert beyond belief. He was a sensitive scholar and yet a very naughty schoolboy".

The 200 guests at the church included Stanley Baxter and Kenneth Connor, the comedians, Sheila Hancock and Eileen Atkins, the actresses, Gordon Jackson, the actor, and Nicholas Parsons, chairman of *Just a Minute.*

Mr Williams's mother, Louisa, aged 87, arrived on the arm of his sister, Pat.

***Mr Nimmo also told how* Mrs Williams had sat in the same seat for every performance of *Just A Minute* for the past 20 years. "No mother could have a more loving and dutiful son", he said. Barbara Windsor sang a music hall song called "The boy that I love is up in the gallery" during the service, and Kenneth Connor, of the *Carry On* films, sang Kenneth Williams's own version of "Auld Lang Syne", in pidgin French.**

Mr Williams was known first for his radio parts in shows such as *Beyond Our Ken*, *Hancock's Half Hour*, and *Round The Horne.*He appeared regularly on stage.

***An open verdict was recorded at the* inquest into his death.**

Identity of rape case student is revealed

By Michael Horsnell

The Jordanian student accused of raping a girl aged 14 yesterday became the first rape defendant at the Central *Criminal Court to lose his* right to anonimity under new legislation.

Mr Wael Mhaywi Kabariti, aged 21, from Deptford, *south-east London, has* denied raping the girl who was visiting London to see the pantomime, *Babes in the Wood.*

Under the new Criminal Justice Act, which came into force at midnight on Tuesday, anonimity for alleged rapists has been abolished.

The court has been told that after leaving the pantomime at the London Palladium on January 3 the girl, from Durham, was picked up by Mr Kabariti and lured to his flat where she was allegedly raped

After staggering into the street and flagging down a car for help she was driven to a secluded place and raped by two more men.

Dr Gisella Ferraris, a police surgeon who examined the girl, said her findings were consistent with the girl having lost her virginity the night of her ordeal.

She described injuries which she said were more severe than any she had seen *in 22 years as a police surgeon.*

Dr Andrew Kawood, a genetic fingerprinting expert, told the court that tests revealed DNA attributable to *the defendant and the victim* on tissue paper found in a waste paper basket.

Another test showed the presence of DNA from two other *unidentified men.*

The trial continues today.

Alcohol 'killing 500 a week'

By Thomson Prentice, Science Correspondent

More than 500 people in England and Wales die every week because of their alcohol consumption, according to research published today. The estimate is one of the highest produced in Britain for deaths from alcohol-related causes.

Dr Peter Anderson, a *community medicine specialist* with Oxfordshire Health Authority, calculates in the *British Medical Journal* today that 28,000 such deaths occur *annually in England and* Wales.

Accurate figures have been impossible to obtain because death certificates rarely mention alcohol as a primary or secondary cause of death, Dr Anderson says.

"Only two or three thousand death certificates a year in England and Wales refer to alcohol. Thus, little is known about the excess mortality associated with alcohol consumption".

Current estimates for such *deaths range from 5,000 to* 40,000 a year. Dr Anderson made his calculations from statistics on population, consumption, deaths and from health studies carried out in Britain and the United States.

His figures were described as "very alarming" yesterday by Alcohol Concern, a leading charity in the field.

"They may bring home to people just how huge a toll on human life alcohol can take", Ms Karen Pappenheim, a *spokeswoman for the charity,* said.

V&A fights attendance fall

By Andrew Billen, Arts Correspondent

The Victoria and Albert Museum is set to introduce radical policy changes in an attempt to boost attendance figures which have slumped since voluntary entrance charges were introduced three years ago.

Trustees are due to meet next month to decide on a new strategy for the museum, *which is likely to include the* reinstatement of important temporary exhibitions.

The meeting follows months of intensive canvass*ing of staff and keepers by Mrs* Elizabeth Esteve Coll, the director, who will meet the museum's unions next week.

Big loan exhibitions were dropped in 1984 by Sir Roy Strong, then the director, despite the initial opposition of his chairman, Lord Carrington, because of the expense.The last, a rococo exhibition, was a critical but not popular success.

*Sources close to Mrs Eliza*beth Esteve-Coll, yesterday said she was moving towards the idea or reintroducing them. She is said to be *impressed by the success of* the Armada exhibition at the National Maritime Museum which, *while scholarly, has* enjoyed high attendance figures.

Their reintroduction would pose considerable logistic *problems, not least in finding* suitable exhibition space. The V & A, which claims a recent slight improvement in last year's 1.4 million attendances, *is weathering a critical storm* over its attempts to attract visitors.

Those have included an exhibition of objects belong*ing to Elton John, the singer,* before they were auctioned.

TOMORROW IN COLOUR

Under the hat

- If his double-Derby winning racehorse Kahyasi crosses the line first in the Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe at Longchamp on Sunday, the **Aga Khan** will not be throwing his hat in the air. Read why in *The Times* tomorrow . . .
- With his 30-minute mid-day nap — a habit picked up, he says, from Ronald Reagan — you could call **Clive James** the ultimate couch potato. But he is no slouch when it comes to the pouch, having moved to the BBC for a salary reputed to be higher than Terry Wogan's.
- Tomorrow he talks (not chats) to *The Times* about baldness, fame, his colleagues and his new talk show.

Plus . . .

- **Ambience:** it can make or break a modern store — even a supermarket. *The Times* meets three gurus of shop design.
- **Travel:** a slow boat around China.
- **Frances Bissell,** *The Times* Cook with a hot pot, and **Jane MacQuitty** on the '88 vintage

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- There were no winners of yesterday's £4,000 daily prize, so the Portfolio Accumulator rises to a new high of £238,000. Prices: **page 29**

Seals face tests for new virus

By David Nicholson-Lord

Tests are to be carried out on seals which have died in the Dee estuary, near Liverpool, possibly from a virus caused by pollution.

The suspected second viral outbreak is apparently unrelated to the canine distemper epidemic which has killed more than 13,500 North Sea seals, 1,700 of them in British waters.

At least 27 of a colony of 220 grey seals in the estuary have died, compared with an annual average of only two or three. In most cases, pneu*monia was the immediate* cause of death, but another unidentified virus is suspected of causing the first symptoms.

The timing of the outbreak and the involvement of a different species has prompted concern that there may be a link with pollution.

The grey seal deaths in the Dee began in March.

High mercury levels have been detected in dead seals from the Irish Sea, much of it thought to come from industrial effluent in the Mersey, a few miles north of the Dee.

Mercury attacks the nervous system not the immune system. However, it is capable of weakening animals and damaging their resistance to infections.

Dr John Baker, senior lecturer in veterinary pathology at Liverpool University and head of the clinical pathology laboratory at its Wirral field station, said of the outbreak: "We don't know what the underlying cause is, or if there is one at all".

Thatcher's way of making bureaucrats tremble

By Ruth Gledhill

The Prime Minister has disclosed a key ingredient in her recipe for success. Speaking to some of the country's top businesswomen yesterday, she said: "If you want to make a bureaucrat tremble, show him a really determined woman, of the kind we have here today".

She praised the six finalists in the *Options* Women Mean Business Award at the Dorchester. The overall *winner was a woman who was* repeatedly turned down by banks for funds. One of the runners-up was a former nanny who had survived a serious illness and was declared *clinically dead three times.*

Mrs Margaret Thatcher said it was one of the "great joys" during her time at No 10 to see women "taking a greater and greater part in business.

"Women have every bit as much talent as men, but don't all match it with the same self-confidence. And now we are getting that confidence, women are becoming much more *prominent.* "*There is tons of room at* the top and we are seeing it and witnessing it in these competitions and in the award which we give."

She told Jo Foley, editor of *Options*, *how impressed she had been by the* number of women running small businesses on her recent visit to Northern Ireland.

Miss Gillian Harwood, aged 45, the *winner, received a holiday for two in* New York and £750 of TSB Smaller Companies Unit Trusts.

Miss Harwood launched her company, Omnibus Workspace Ltd, *eight years ago with a small factory in* Camden Town, north-west London. She rents out workshops to small businesses and now has a turnover exceeding £1 million.

Miss Anne McInnes, a former nanny who suffered a near-fatal thrombosis, was a runner-up. She started a cleaning business six years ago in Glasgow with one industrial vacuum cleaner and now has more than 200 staff.

A joint venture, the Tideway Yard development in Mortlake, was winner of *The Times* Royal Institute of *British Architects community archi*tecture award.

Television advertising

Viewers prefer long breaks

By Richard Evans, Media Editor

Britain's commercial television industry received a new blow last night when a survey *revealed a large proportion of* viewers favour European plans to replace the existing system of short advertising breaks with long "blocks" of commercials.

The study showed that while 56 per cent of television audiences prefer the present system of having up to three *or four short breaks an hour* for commercials, a surprising 35 per cent say they would prefer one long break lasting up to 10 or 12 minutes, while *6 per cent have no preference,* and 2 per cent are undecided.

But more worrying for independent television chiefs *and advertising agencies is a* breakdown of the figures, which shows that AB viewers – the higher income-earners who are key advertising tar*gets – are even less bothered* about European plans for change.

The BBC *will "be shaken rigid" by satellite television* next year and forced to accept sponsorship to maintain standards, a conference on sponsorship was told yesterday. Mr Ian Wight, managing director of a sponsorship agency owned by Lowe Howard-Spink and Bell, told the Incorporated Society of British Advertisers that without more funds the BBC would become a dwindling public service network.

The survey, conducted earlier this month by the British Market Research Bureau for Foote, Cone and Belding, the London advertising agency, confirms that the British public like television advertisments, with 59 per cent saying they had improved *over the years. But television* and advertising chiefs fear long advertising "blocks" would be a turn-off for viewers, who would leave the room or switch channels.

The survey could hardly come at a worse time for the television industry and the Government.

Mr Tim Renton, Minister of State at the Home Office, responsible for broadcasting, visited his opposite number and television magnates in West Germany yesterday in an effort to win support for changes to proposals which are currently contained in a draft Council of Europe convention on trans-frontier broadcasting.

Meanwhile Mr Paul Wright, a senior Home Office office official, was representing the Government on an EEC working group which is drawing up a similar broadcasting directive.

Sacked cellist gets £12,500 over slapping

A cellist dismissed by the English National Opera after slapping another musician during rehearsals yesterday accepted £12,500 on condition that she dropped allegations of unfair dismissal and racial discrimination.

Miss Agnes Kory, aged 43, who is Jewish and was born in Hungary, had played with the ENO for 14 years at an annual salary of £14,000. She said: "I feel I have been vindicated and I am happy with the result".

An *industrial tribunal* was adjourned for more than two hours as legal representatives of Miss Kory and the ENO reached a compromise. Her *case was supported by the* Commission for Racial Equality.

Miss Kory, from Hampstead, north-west London, was *dismissed after an incident* during a rehearsal for *Hansel and Gretel* last November. She claimed she was abused by another woman cellist whom *she slapped to shut her up.*

AMP AUSTRALIAN MUTUAL PROVIDENT SOCIETY

NOTICE TO POLICYHOLDERS

Policyholders are advised that the New South Wales Parliament has enacted the Australian Mutual Provident Society Act 1988. This amends the Society's Act of Incorporation ("the 1910 Act") and also enacts other provisions.

The main purpose of the new legislation is to modernise AMP's *structure under the 1910 Act which contained much of the* Society's original 1857 Act and had inevitably become outdated and unsuited to a modern corporation, despite periodic amendments (the last being in 1941).

The principal changes grant limited liability to policyholders, give the policyholders the ability to amend the Society's powers without requiring further legislation, clarify and modernise the Society's powers and delete archaic and redundant provisions. In addition the Society, while remaining incorporated under its own separate 1910 Act, generally becomes subject to the disciplines of the Companies Code.

As part of this process amendments have also been made to the By-laws, which have been re-arranged in two parts. The Society's express powers are now set out in Part I of the By-laws instead of in the 1910 Act. Other provisions which were previously covered in the 1910 Act or the By-laws are now contained in Part II. Amendments have been necessary to eliminate inconsistencies with the Companies Code and there are other changes appropriate in a context of expansion, one of which permits membership to be extended to policies transferred to AMP on a merger.

The Directors have taken this step in the belief that it will benefit policyholders by enabling the Society to operate and continue to develop as a modern, progressive organisation without hindrance from outdated provisions.

Policyholders desiring a copy of the legislation and the amended By-laws should write to the Chief Manager for the United Kingdom, at the address below, who will provide a copy when available from the printer.

By order of the Board.
M. H. Ryan
Secretary

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Monster mould breakers re-invent the Liberals

By Alan Hamilton

Delegates to the annual conference of the Official Monster Raving Loony Party yesterday voted to change their name to the Raving Loony Liberal Party. The platform beat off a challenge from party extremists who wanted the name shortened to the Loonies, the Ravers or the Monsters.

Lord David Sutch, the longest serving national political party leader in Britain, who has an unbroken record of losing his deposit in every general election since 1963, last night expressed satisfaction with the result. In view of dangerous trends at other *party conferences* this week, he said, it was important that the word "Liberal" did not disappear from British politics.

Mr Paddy Ashdown, he said, could not be trusted to preserve a name which had honourable associations *with Lloyd George and Churchill.*

Party leaders said they thought the vote was unaminous, but were not sure. Mr Alan Hope, the party's chairman and deputy leader, explained that a secret ballot had been held, with all seven candidates blindfolded. Mr Hope is the only member of the party ever to have been elected to anything, having been returned unopposed to a seat on Ashburton town council in east Devon.

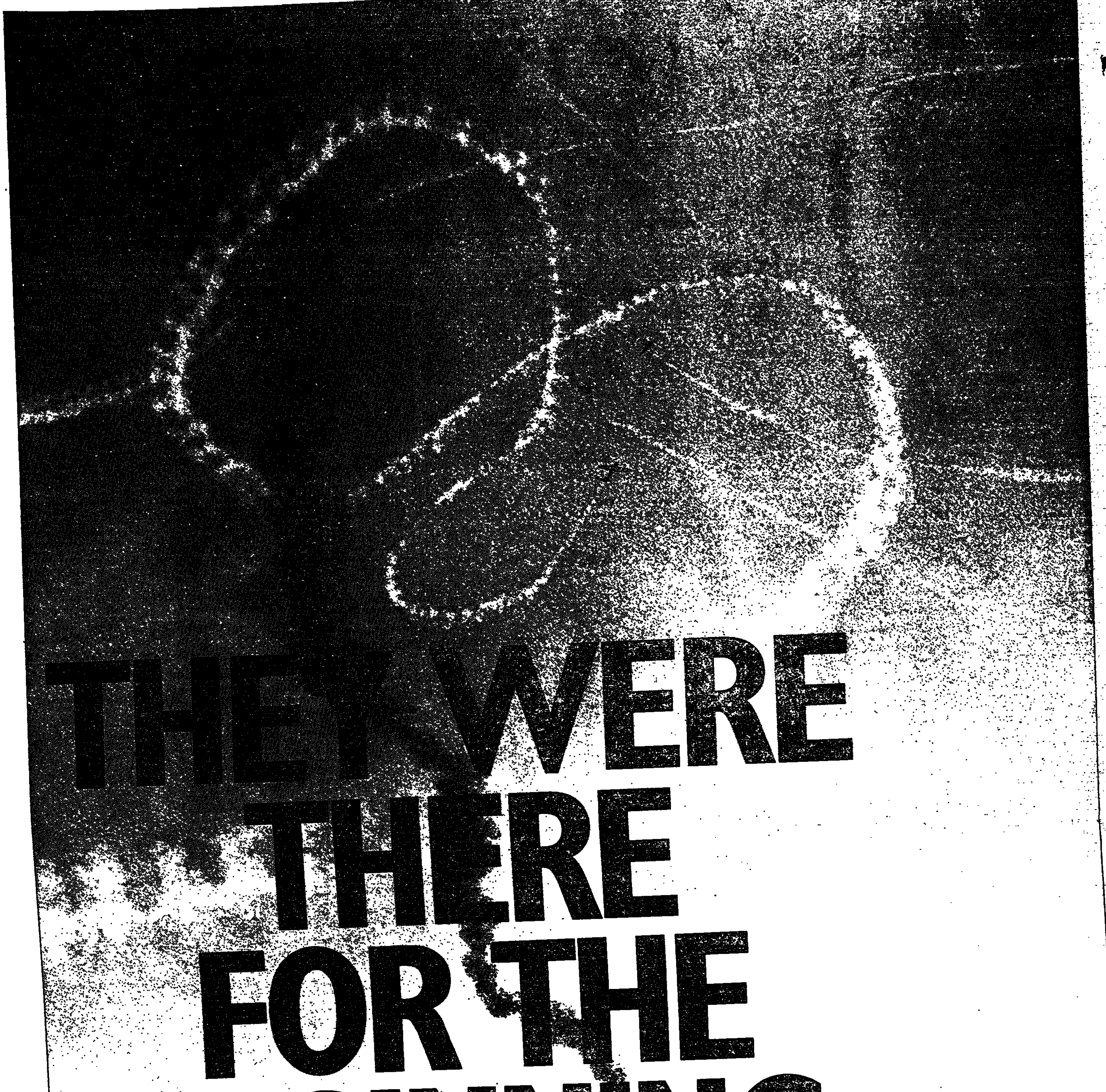
The Raving Loonies, who will now be known informally as the Raving *Loony Liberals, have chosen the site* of their sole electoral triumph to hold their fourth annual conference. By chance the conference centre, known for the rest of the year as the Golden Lion Hotel, is owned by Mr Hope.

Lord Sutch said that in spite of yesterday's vote, party candidates at forthcoming elections would be permitted to stand under any labels they chose. The Loonies plan to contest forthcoming by-elections in Mr Leon Brittan's former seat at Richmond, and in the late Sir John Biggs-Davidson's seat at Epping Forest, where their candidate will run on a rights-for-ponies ticket.

The party which has lost count of the money spent on lost deposits, changed its name before. Lord Sutch *first stood in the 1963 Stratford-upon-*Avon by-election caused by the resignation of Mr John Profumo.

After triumphant success in securing all its principal aims, it changed its name to the Loonies in 1983. In last *year's general election it fielded* 11 candidates, and Mr Stuart Hughes, the party's chief whip, polled an all-time record of 747 votes in the Honiton constituency. Reports that Miss Cynthia Payne was to take over Mr Hughes' front-bench post were last night dismissed as mischievous.

During the the rest of the conference delegates will debate defence and the water shortage in the west country, but the key issue will be a move to invite the Social Democrats to subsume themselves in a merger. "*Dr David Owen is clearly a closet* Loony; he should be one of us", Lord Sutch said last night.



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Piper Alpha technical report blames breakdown in communications

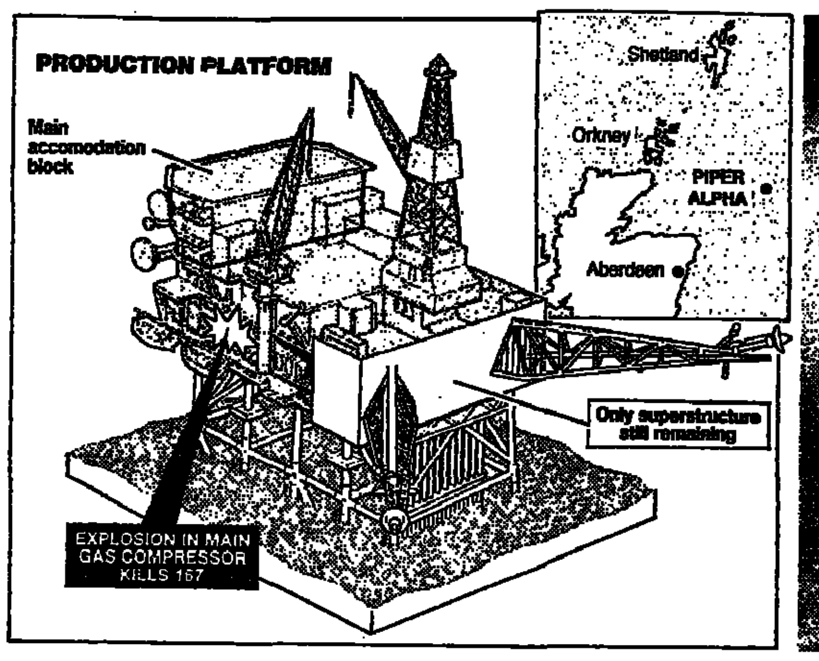
Missing valve 'caused oil rig blast'

By Kerry Gill

The Piper Alpha disaster, in which 167 men were killed, was caused by a breakdown in platform communications leading to an explosion in the gas compression module, an interim technical report published yesterday says.

The explosion occurred when gas was released from a section of pipework allowing pressurized hydrocarbons to ignite.

The report on the world's worst oil industry catastrophe, published by the Department of Energy, suggests that the gas ignited after escaping from the site of a pressure release valve which had been removed from pipework associated with a gas injection pump.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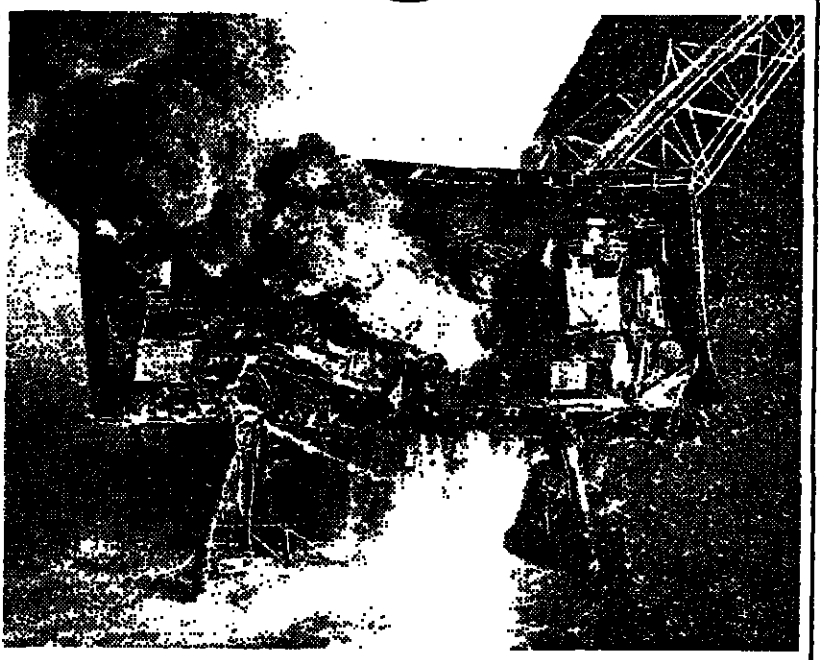

The report, however, says that more work is needed to find out why so many people were unable to escape the inferno as the accommodation modules were enveloped in a huge cloud of choking smoke and fire.

During the day shift on July 6, the pressure release valve was removed and taken to a workshop by a technician employed by Score UK, where it was tested and was then supposed to have been replaced.

However, the technician was told that a crane to lift the valve back into place would not be available and the job was intended to be done the next day.

Under normal procedure, the permit for the work would have been returned to the safety department on the rig by way of the control room and stored until the work was to restart.

A log book in the control room should have recorded the process of work on the valve. At 6pm, when the change of shift took place, a reference to the pressure release valve should have appeared on notes given by the lead production operator to the man taking over.

The report says that at handover time the oncoming shift should have been briefed orally. "Evidence indicates that the production operations team, including the lead operator starting the night shift were not aware that PSV504 (the valve) had been removed", according to the report.

The report, to be laid as part of the evidence to Lord Cullen's public inquiry, says that it is probable that the pipework became inadvertently pressurized while operators were dealing with a plant disturbance and that the operators did not realize that the pressure release valve had been removed.

As a colossal amount of gas and oil ignited, including 80 million cubic feet of gas, the Piper Alpha platform was largely destroyed.

The plant operators, the report concludes, almost certainly believed that the system would shut down automatically should the pressure release valve have been in its correct position.

At the time of the explosion, the platform was operating in phase 1 mode when gas produced was not of export quality and had to be used on Piper Alpha either as fuel or being flared off.

While in that mode, there were insufficient back-up functions to trip the system as the condensate of gas built up. The initial explosion was so powerful that it caused huge damage to the main control room, electrical power generators and power systems so that all essential and emergency services were put out of action immediately.

❛ Huge mass of black smoke and flame thwarted the evacuation of gas rig ❜

Only the radio equipment which was operating on the international emergency frequency was left in operation. All other warning systems such as alarms and the external telecommunication systems were thrown out of action.

After the initial explosion, a blaze broke out in the neighbouring module B probably caused by the contents of the process and separation vessels within and above the modules.

Fire pumps did not start automatically as they were on manual and it is thought they were damaged anyway by the initial explosion. The accident grew even worse about 20 minutes after the initial explosion when the Tartan gas import pipeline to Piper Alpha is thought to have ruptured.

Due to the huge mass of black smoke and flame enveloping the accommodation modules, evacuation through the survival craft was not accomplished. The report says further work is needed to discover why so few managed to escape.

Helicopters found it impossible to deploy properly because of the fire raging over Piper Alpha and two inflatable life craft failed to inflate correctly, although calm seas enabled those who managed to escape to be rescued.

Mr James Petrie, director of safety for the Department of Energy, was in charge of the report's compilation.

He said new oil rig safety regulations were being drawn up including improved staff operating systems, fully automatic fire-fighting systems, better life raft provision, improved evacuation routes and greater checks on emergency systems.

The report says that the recovery of equipment in a reasonable condition would confirm, or otherwise, the theories put forward.

"Recovery may be dangerous since the remaining structure and the pile of debris are unstable. Since the strength of the tangled debris is uncertain, lifting could be hazardous.

"Occidental are trying to recover the accommodation modules...their purpose is to recover as many bodies as possible. If this is successful, recovery would also provide information as to how the accommodation modules withstood the fire."

The report's main purpose was to find out the immediate causes of the catastrophe, but it emphasizes that further work is needed to examine equipment on the sea bed, find out why there were so many casualties, and look into the design standards, construction and modification of the installation.

Piper Alpha Technical Investigation Interim Report (Piper Alpha Inquiry Office, 16 Waterloo Place, Edinburgh EH1 3DN; £11).

Watchdogs to assess teaching of Christianity

By David Tytler, Education Editor

Watchdogs must be set up in every local education authority by August next year to ensure that religious education and school assemblies are "broadly Christian", according to guidelines published yesterday.

Mr Kenneth Baker, the Secretary of State for Education, set out new powers for the Standing Advisory Councils on Religious Education which will be able to instruct local education authorities to review their current syllabus and to rule on whether schools or classes can be exempt from Christian teaching and worship, without a specific request from parents.

The move follows changes in the Education Reform Act forced on the Government by Dr Graham Leonard, the Bishop of London.

Mr Baker now expects all the advisory councils and local education authorities to reconsider the form of schools' morning assembly and to check religious education syllabuses to ensure they come within the act.

As a safeguard, the councils need not wait for requests from local education authorities, but can make their own investigations and recommendations.

The most difficult decisions the councils will face will be when headteachers appeal for rulings between two possibly contradictory requirements of the Act.

It specifies that most acts of worship must be broadly Christian and that they must reflect broad traditions of Christian belief to an extent and in a way which makes them "at least mainly Christian", but they must also be "appropriate having regard to the family background, ages and aptitudes of pupils".

Mr David Hart, general secretary of the National Association of Headteachers, yesterday said: "I have never accepted the basic argument in the changes. The more you drift down the path of parents opting out the more you emphasize the ethnic and religious differences in schools. And a school should unite both pupils and teachers irrespective of race or faith."

Each advisory council, which will be appointed and financed by the local education authority, will be composed of members of the Church of England, Christian and other religious bodies, teachers, and local authority representatives. The councils will have to prepare annual reports detailing their recommendations.

Independent television companies must continue to screen a religious programme at the same time as the BBC during peak time on Sunday evenings, the Independent Broadcasting Authority ruled yesterday.

The decision is a blow to commercial channels which are anxious to re-arrange the timing of such programmes in preparation for the new competitive television era. They had hoped to replace *Highway*, featuring Harry Secombe, with a current affairs programme for six months of the year. *Highway* would have been replaced with a late night religious programme. Independent television executives were disappointed with the decision and one described religious programming as being caught in a timewarp.

Labour NHS proposals

Reward for waiting list cuts

By Nicholas Wood, Political Correspondent

Health authority managers might be paid according to their success in reducing the mortality rates in their areas, Labour suggested yesterday as it unveiled a radical set of proposals aimed at wresting the initiative from the Government in its review of the health service.

Adopting an unashamedly consumerist approach to the problems of the service, the Opposition also floated the ideas of a health quality inspectorate, financial compensation for patients lingering on waiting lists and no-fault compensation for those damaged by health service treatment.

Labour's proposals, set out in a consultation paper produced by Mr Robin Cook, its chief health spokesman, represent an audacious attempt to address some of the shifts in public attitudes since the formation of the National Health Service 40 years ago.

Mr Cook said yesterday that if the health service had a fault it was that it was still rooted in the attitudes of the 1940s.

People today were more assertive and wanted to be involved in decisions about the way they received services. Instead of regarding that as a "pain in the neck" the health service should welcome it and respond positively.

Mr Cook said that if the 30 key proposals set out in the document, *Questions of Health*, were accepted as the way forward his package would amount to one of the biggest shake-ups in the service.

However, he was careful to point out that Labour was not yet wedded to the ideas floated and that much would depend on the outcome of the consultation exercise it was initiating with health service staff and patients and with party members involved in the service. The final package would emerge from the Labour Party's internal review of policy next autumn.

Dismissing the Government's system of performance-related pay as a way of squeezing costs while cutting services, Mr Cook said it should be redefined on a wider basis.

Instead, managers might be rewarded for widening access to the service, reducing the mortality rates in their areas, meeting public health targets or shortening waiting lists.

He also said that it was "perplexing" that there was no necessary correlation between the length of waiting lists and the local availability of beds.

"We want to provide the financial incentive and possibly the occasional financial sanction to make sure it is raised in priority", he told reporters at Westminster.

Mr Cook also made clear that Labour had not dropped its long-standing hostility to the private sector, saying that he believed his proposals would send a "chill" through its ranks.

In particular, full-time consultants should not be allowed to do part-time private work and collaborative projects between the two sectors should be outlawed.

He wanted to see "fair and robust" competition between the two and predicted the health service would triumph.

Mr Cook said that no-fault compensation was needed because the present system was "extraordinarily wasteful and expensive" and profited only the lawyers involved in lengthy litigation.

In New Zealand, where such a system was in operation, 93 per cent of the total costs went on payments to patients, compared with 15 per cent in Britain.

Unions set to halt Prescott

By Tim Jones, Employment Affairs Correspondent

Mr John Prescott's challenge to become deputy leader of the Labour Party will effectively be buried today, when two big unions are expected to declare support for the Kinnock-Hattersley "dream ticket".

The unions, the Amalgamated Engineering Union and the GMB general union, command between them almost 1.2 million votes.

The decisions will signal the end of of an internal saga which has been condemned by supporters of Mr Neil Kinnock, the party leader. Many centre-right union leaders and senior Labour Party officials have claimed that the election has weakened the Opposition's capacity to attack the Government on vital policy issues.

The results of the election are expected to deliver a humiliating rebuff to Mr Benn when they are announced on Sunday.

The trend was confirmed last night when the Association of Professional, Executive, Clerical and Computer Staff (APEX) announced that a ballot of its 58,000 political paying members had given an overwhelming vote for Mr Kinnock and Mr Hattersley.

In the ballot for leader, Mr Kinnock polled 15,945 votes and Mr Benn 1,758. The results for deputy leader were: Roy Hattersley, 11,572; John Prescott, 5,087 and Mr Eric Heffer, 789.

Jumbo's 20 years of service

By Harvey Elliott
Air Correspondent

The aircraft which revolutionized the way the world travels celebrates its twentieth anniversary today.

When the first Boeing 747 rolled off the production line on September 30, 1968 it was immediately nicknamed the Jumbo and raised fears that its enormous size would overwhelm airports, overload passenger terminals and baggage facilities, overrun Customs and immigration units, and overstress taxiways and runways. The sceptics said it would never catch on.

Now 703 Boeing 747s have been delivered, of which 684 are still flying in regular airline service. They have carried more than 840 million people a total of 11,921,000 miles, and logged up more than 23 million hours flying time.

The next generation Boeing 747 – the fourteenth variant – has already been ordered by 20 airlines, which have signed up for 153 aircraft worth a total of $21 billion (£12.3 billion).

The first 747 was designed by Joseph Sutter and a team of Boeing engineers, who persuaded the sceptical company to invest more than $1 billion in an aircraft which many were convinced had no future, except as military transport.

Pan Am was the first to back the project with an order for 25 of the four-engined monsters, at a cost of $20 million each. The latest version of the 747 costs $125 million, and airlines cannot get a place in the delivery queue for up to four years.

The enormous size of the aircraft – typically carrying 412 passengers and 20 tons of cargo – means that the Wright Brothers' first flight could have been performed within the 213 ft 10 in fuselage.

Concern about "geriatric jets" has led to tighter inspection and maintenance to check that the older aircraft are still fit to fly.

As the demand for larger aircraft to cope with congestion caused by the ever-rising tide of air travellers increases, the 747 is likely to dominate the skies for many years to come.

Air Europe will fly more scheduled service passengers to the Continent from Gatwick over the next 12 months than British Caledonian ever carried in a year according to forecasts made yesterday.

By next summer Air Europe, part of the International Leisure Group will be operating 13 aircraft with an average capacity of 142 passengers. British Caledonian, now part of British Airways, had the same number of jets in its short haul fleet but each with a capacity of 99.

Better news on bigger loans from the Woolwich.

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ANYTHING'S POSSIBLE WITH THE WOOLWICH

BBC continues coverage despite coroner's plea

By Tony Dawe and David Sapsted

GIBRALTAR INQUEST

The BBC was at the centre of a new storm last night over the Gibraltar inquest into the shooting of three IRA terrorists by the SAS.

The corporation went ahead yesterday and broadcast radio and television news reports of legal submissions made to the inquest, in spite of a request from Mr Feliz Pizzarello, the coroner, that the press should not report what was said at yesterday's hearing.

Mr John Laws, counsel for the Crown, described the BBC's action as "a matter of deep regret" and said the matter might have to be taken up in London.

A spokesman for the BBC in London last night said the corporation had decided to continue broadcasting the reports throughout the day "because there was no way the jury in Gibraltar could hear them".

The submissions were made in the court in the absence of the jury and the BBC reports led to demands from Mr Michael Hucker, representing the SAS soldiers, that the jury be kept incommunicado so that the 11 men could not hear the broadcasts.

It was established, however, that the radio, television and newspapers in Gibraltar were planning to abide by the coroner's request and counsel were satisfied with a further warning from the coroner to the jury to ignore all the media coverage.

The dispute developed because of a submission made by Mr Patrick McGrory, for the families of the terrorists. The coroner indicated initially that he would allow the press to report the legal submissions which he expected would deal with points of law.

However, when Mr McGrory discussed some of the facts of the case in flamboyant language, the coroner was forced to reconsider his ruling.

After half an hour of confusion, he asked the press not to report the submissions but by that time the BBC had carried some reports.

The corporation then decided to continue broadcasting them after receiving legal advice that the coroner had no jurisdiction over what was broadcast in Britain.

Both the BBC and Thames Television were involved in a dispute last week over programmes they had produced which quoted the statement of a witness, although he had refused to sign the statement.

Complex issues the jury must assess

By Tony Dawe

The Gibraltar inquest jury will be sent out today to consider its verdict on the shooting of three IRA terrorists by the SAS on the Rock last March.

Mr Felix Pizzarello, the coroner, was expected to spend about two hours this morning summing up the evidence heard over the past four weeks before instructing the 11-man jury to retire to reach its verdict. He will explain that there are three possible verdicts: justifiable homicide, unlawful killing or an open verdict.

The jury must decide whether the four SAS soldiers who carried out the shooting were justified in opening fire.

The 11 men have been told that British intelligence was tipped off about a planned IRA bomb attack on the band and guards of the Royal Anglian Regiment.

The SAS soldiers were ordered to arrest the terrorists but were also briefed that they might be carrying guns and remote control detonators.

If the jury accepts the soldiers' stories, which have been backed up by intelligence agents, police officers and some other eyewitnesses, it would be expected to return a verdict of justifiable homicide.

The problem facing the jury, however, is that when the shooting was over the terrorists were found to be unarmed and to possess no remote control detonators.

If the jury decided that all the evidence from the soldiers and intelligence officers was phoney and that the plan had always been to open fire, then a verdict of unlawful killing could be returned.

The more likely course, however, if the jury was uncertain about parts of the evidence, would be for it to return an open verdict.

Judge rewards have-a-go rider

Catherine Ingleton with her chestnut pony Tish yesterday after the judge had rewarded her.

By Craig Seton

A girl was summoned to court from her classroom yesterday and awarded £25 for her quick thinking in swinging her horse into action when she saw a burglar escaping from a farmhouse with a bag full of stolen goods.

Within seconds, Catherine Ingleton, aged 14, and her horse, Tish, had pinned the burglar against a farmgate and held him prisoner there for more than an hour after forcing him to hand over the keys of his getaway car. When a tractor driver arrived to help, the girl raced off on Tish to call the police.

The story of Catherine's courage earlier this year was told at Derby Crown Court, where Judge Woods sentenced the burglar, Anthony Dimaio, aged 25, of Chesterfield, to 15 months imprisonment after he admitted burglary and theft.

The judge then asked officials to summon Catherine, of Vernon Rise, Grassmoor, Chesterfield, and a pupil of Deincourt School, North Wingfield, Derby, from her classroom to the court, where he awarded her £25 and publicly thanked her.

The judge told her: "Your persistence and shrewdness would be commendable values in anybody, but for someone of 14 it is exceptional. You stood your ground and had coolness and judgement. These qualities will stand you in good stead".

Probate monopoly

Solicitors consider challenging review

By Frances Gibb, Legal Affairs Correspondent

The Law Society is considering whether to challenge the Lord Chancellor over his plans to review the monopoly on probate work enjoyed by solicitors in England and Wales.

The move, by Lord Mackay of Clashfern, comes three years after the Government broke the profession's monopoly on conveyancing which led to the establishment of licensed conveyancers.

Lord Mackay has written to the President of the Law Society saying he is reconsidering the probate monopoly and asking for comments.

The position of the Law Society has been that the grant of probate of wills or letters of administration for a fee should be reserved for solicitors. But it is now to review its position.

In the field of probate, it is the banks and other trust corporations which would be most keen to move in on the work. They already administer estates but have to call in a solicitor to prepare the papers and apply for the grant of probate.

However Mr Walter Merricks, assistant general secretary at the society, said that although the banks might be interested in doing the work related to administering estates, their charges were twice those of solicitors' and were not subject to any review as were solicitors.

"If someone decides in their will to appoint a bank as executor, they have to agree to the terms and conditions for this which will prevail at the time of his or her death. So whatever the charges are, no-one can do anything about them", he said. Similar moves are being considered for Scotland. In November last year, the Scottish Home and Health Department published a consultative paper on the profession.

It proposed withdrawing the monopoly on probate and on giving legal advice, which exists in Scotland but not in England and Wales.

The last threat to the solicitors' monopoly came from the Royal Commission on Legal Services in 1979.

● Solicitors have been warned by the Law Society chief executive that their future will depend on their ability to adapt to change and to lift standards of competence.

Mr John Hayes, secretary general of the Law Society, says in a strategy plan for 1988/89 that competition for work is set to intensify and the value of monopoly rights to diminish.

"The profession will have to enhance its business and professional skills to meet the needs of a more discerning and more demanding society", he says.

The paper, to come before the society's council next week, poses the possibility of a new Solicitors' Act which could make changes, including removing the statutory bar on mixed practices with other professionals

The paper predicts that next year there will be substantial changes in the legal system when, if implemented, the Marre committee report, could bring rights of audience in the crown court.

Weekend food prices

British lamb is a good buy and fish plentiful

Home-produced lamb is a good buy this weekend with whole leg at an average £1.74 a lb with a range of £1.46 to £2 a lb. Whole shoulder, at an average £1 a lb, is unchanged since last week.

Loin chops will probably be about £1.98 a lb at supermarkets and rib chops £1.26. Good lamb promotions on offer this week are Dewhurst freezer packs priced at 89p a lb. Sainsbury's whole leg is £1.38 a lb, 18p a lb less than New Zealand lamb. Bejam New Zealand leg 99p a lb. Tesco New Zealand half shoulder 69p a lb.

Beef prices are fairly stable; boneless brisket at an average £1.77 a lb is recommended. Topside/silverside range from £2.30 to £2.78 a lb. Rib of beef is up a penny a lb to £1.71.

Best beef promotions are Asda topside/silverside £1.79 a lb, Presto stewing beef £1.44 a lb, Tesco rump steak £2.49 a lb, Sainsbury's braising steak £1.78 a lb. Safeway stewing steak £1.44 a lb and minced beef 99p a lb.

Pork prices are likely to vary by only about 1p a lb. Loin chops average £1.44 a lb and rolled shoulder £1.26 are both stable. Pork promotions this week include Tesco boneless leg £1.29, Safeway boneless leg £1.39 and Presto boneless leg £1.58.

Poultry on offer this week include Tesco frozen stuffed chickens at £2.29 each, two partly boned chicken breasts at £1.89 a lb, and Sainsbury's fresh grade A British chicken up to 3½lbs, 59p a lb.

Supplies and quality of fresh fish are good and there is plenty of variety. Safeway is offering whole dressed Scottish salmon and salmon joints at £3.99 a lb.

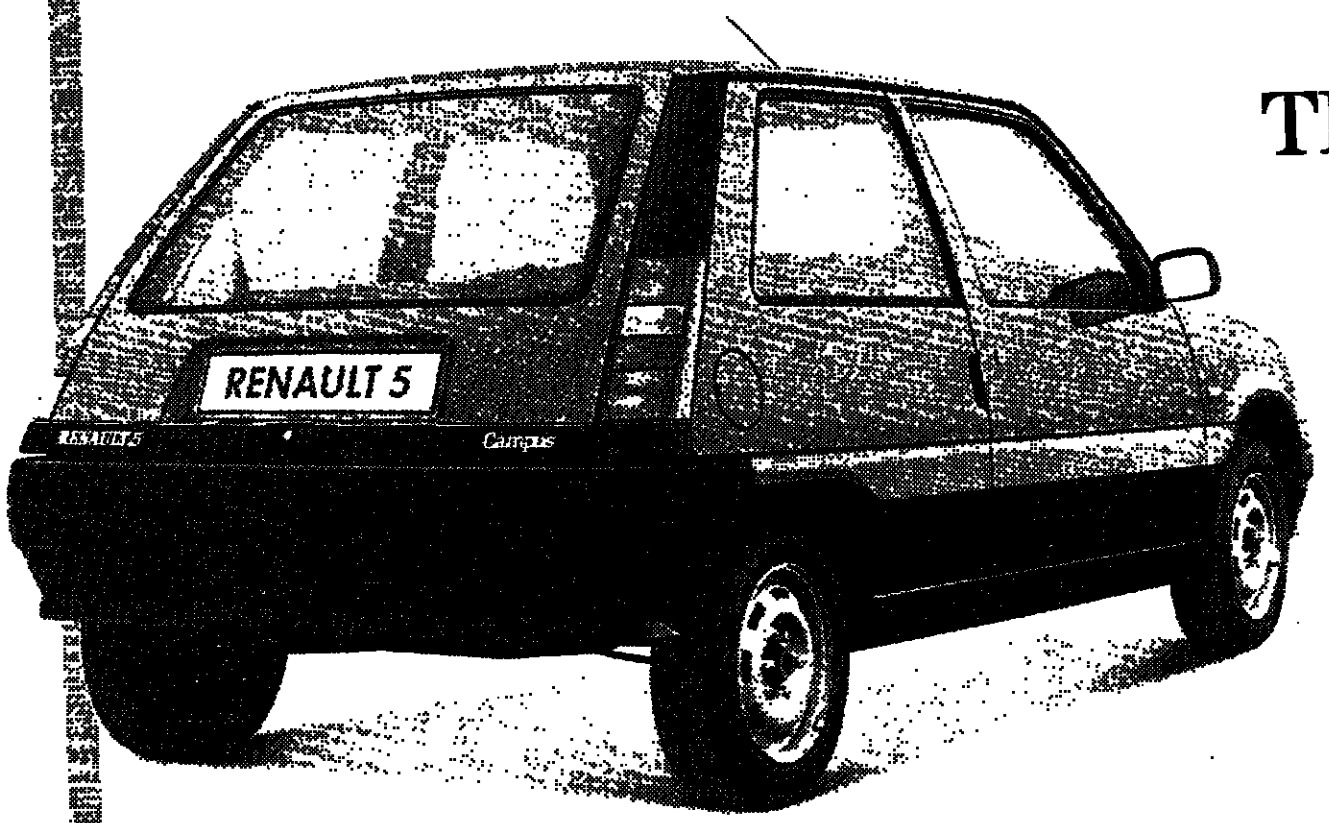
Superb quality home grown celery is plentiful and costs between 25p and 50p a head. Jersey outdoor and hot house tomatoes 30p to 52p a lb are plentiful as are cucumbers 30p to 60p each. Round lettuce from 18p and iceberg lettuces 40p to 75p a head. Spring onions 20p to 40p a bunch.

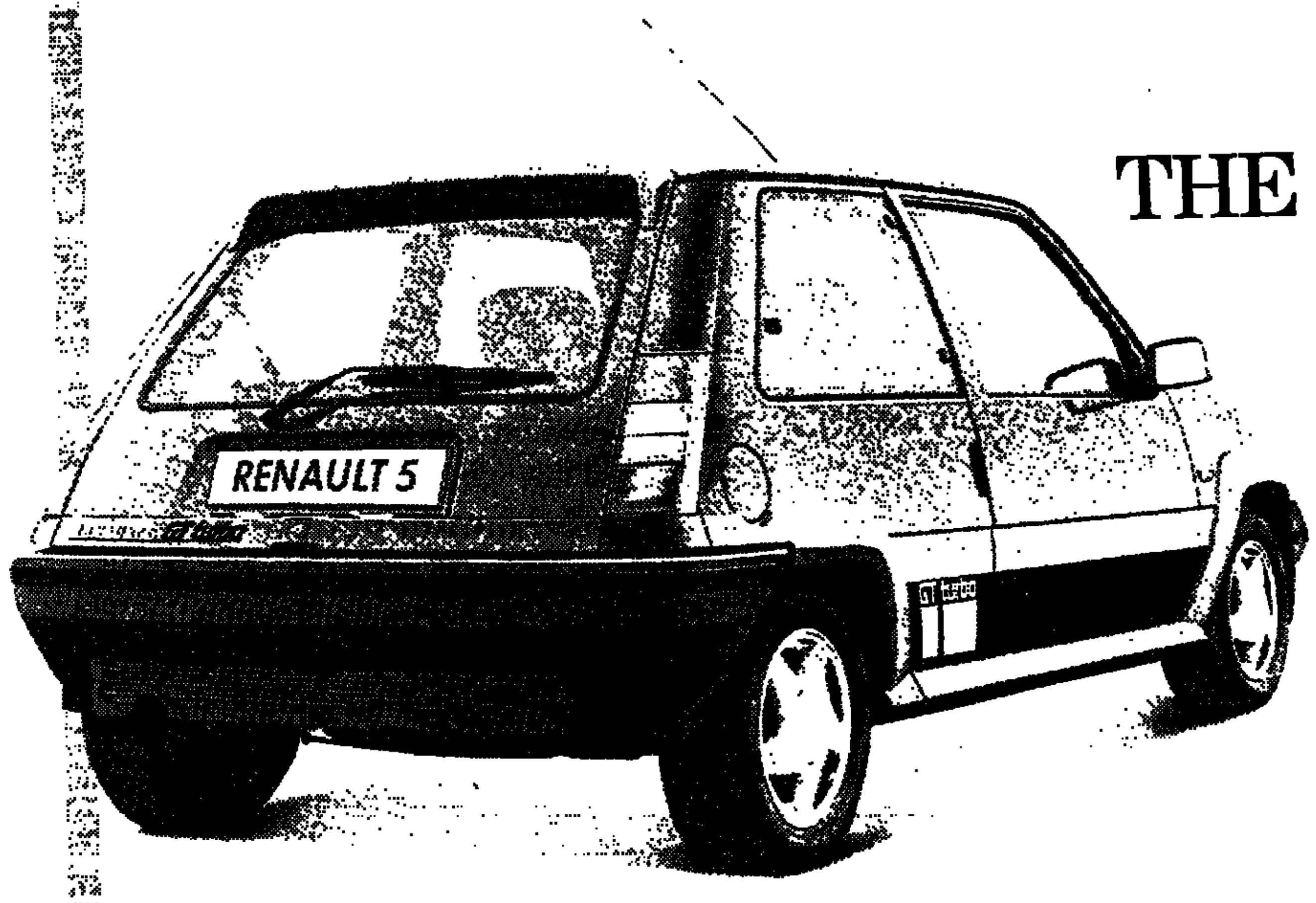
The abundance of home grown vegetables in the shops is a real treat. Cauliflowers at 25p to 50p each, mushrooms 40p to 75p a half lb, sweetcorn 20p to 30p a cob, broccoli 30p to 80p a lb, carrots 10p to 25p a lb, spinach 30p to 45p a lb, pickling onions 18p to 40p a lb, and courgettes 40p to 60p a lb are all good value.

Apples from the Cape, Australia and New Zealand are from store and cost between 25p and 50p a lb.

The best new season apples are Cox's at 45p to 55p a lb, Worcesters and Katys 28p to 50p a lb. French Golden Delicious are 30p to 50 a lb and Granny Smiths 35p to 50p.

Imported fruit in good supply includes grapes at 35p to 80p a lb, and kiwi fruit 14p to 24p each. Bananas are scarce after Hurricane Gilbert but there are plenty of pineapples at from 50p to £2 each.





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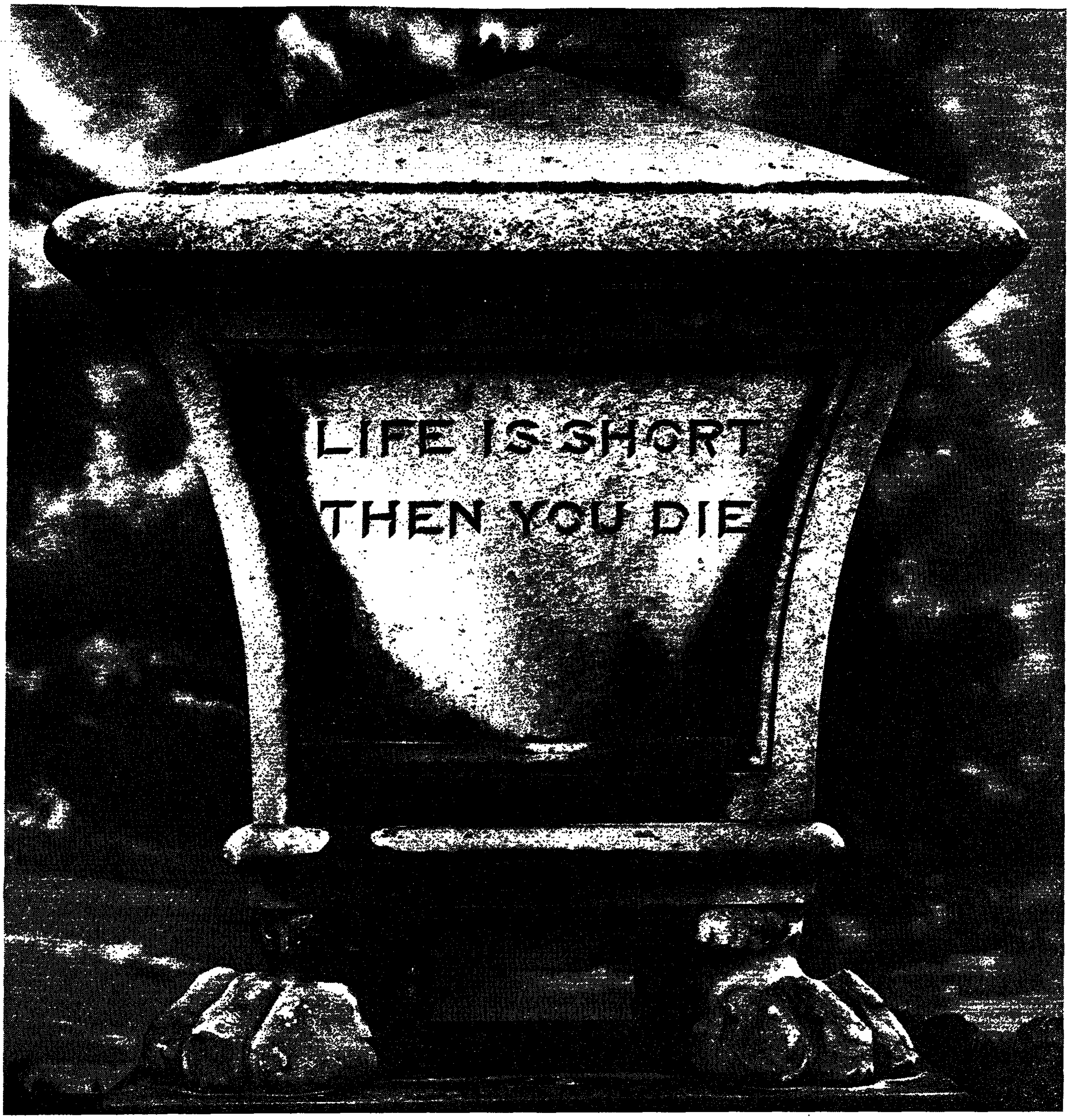

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TVS ENTERTAINMENT

THE DEMOCRATS CONFERENCE

Green path 'is key to future'

THE LEADER

A detailed attack on Mrs Thatcher dominated Mr Paddy Ashdown's speech on the final morning of the Democrats' conference in Blackpool yesterday.

He gave a "litany of lost freedoms" under the Tories – in local government, on freedom of speech and civil liberties – and said that the Government had made a deliberate and sustained attack on the network of civil liberties which lay "at the heart of our democracy".

Emphasizing the importance of the "green approach" to the Democrats, he said that the 1980s was "a time of fools, who pillaged our environment for themselves and left those who followed to pay the price.

"The greedy '80s will always be the indelible legacy of the Tory Party", he said.

Mr Ashdown said that real patriotism meant a society where the flag of freedom and fairness flew over the homes of all citizens. But when the Tories met in Brighton the Prime Minister would wrap herself in the Union Jack and they would hear the oldest Tory lies of all, that they were the sole party of patriotism.

"Let me say something very personal. I deeply resent the hijacking of the love of country by a single party or a single politician" (applause).

For the Tory message was more one of greed than of patriotism. They squandered resources and did not invest them. They plundered the natural environment and did not preserve it; divided the nation and did not unite it.

"Our patriotism rests on a belief in a fairer, more socially just Britain – in a greener and more peaceful world."

The Prime Minister preferred the judgement of short-term speculators to the deliberations of democratic government; was as blind to the future as she was deaf to the past.

"For her and for her coterie of designer right-wingers there is no such thing as society; no sense of the public interest; no acceptance of shared responsibilities: and no concept of rights and freedoms held in common trust."

If anyone had destroyed the sense of neighbourliness in Britain it was Mrs Thatcher and her attitude to democracy, human rights and citizenship.

The official Opposition had failed in its duty. "The Labour Party has become Britain's most backward-looking party with one foot in the '40s and the other in the grave."

That was why Democrats had to convince the country of their ability to provide a credible opposition and potential alternative government.

"To do that you do not start off by looking for hung Parliaments, compromises or coalitions. You start off by believing in yourself.

"We shall build our citizenship on four pillars: the rights of the citizen, which define our freedoms; the safeguards for the citizen, which protect our freedoms: the entitlements of the citizen, which enable our freedoms; the responsibilities of the citizen, through which we share our freedoms."

They would ensure that Britain had a fair voting system, democratic parliaments for Scotland and Wales (applause), and life breathed back into local government. They would give workers the chance to share in decisions affecting their livelihood.

They would bring in a freedom of information Act and a Bill of Rights.

They would create real choice for all by defining access to a minimum income, a high quality education, an effective health service and decent housing.

A government should appeal to people's consciences as well as to their desire to get on.

"We know in our hearts that the Budget was wrong for the country. What Britain needed was not windfall gains for the well off, but more investment in health, in education, in training.

"In the ideology of the idiot right, private expenditure is good, but all public expenditure is bad. That is just nonsense."

Much remained to be done in transforming attitudes in industry and the financial sector. In reviewing the City, the party's whole approach would be to favour self-regulation, but only where it could be shown to be genuinely effective. That would have to be underpinned by statutory enforcement and existing anti-corruption laws would have to be more swiftly and vigorously enforced.

They would have to review the operation of takeovers and mergers with a much more sceptical eye than this Government did.

He did not deny that the Government had economic achievements to its credit, and profits were not a dirty word in the SLD. But the way the economy was now being managed threatened and undermined even the areas of success.

"There must be an autumn mini-budget."

That should include an announcement of no further tax cuts until the payments deficit showed clear signs of turning round; a reining in of personal borrowing, particularly mortgage credit; abandonment of the poll tax; removal of the ceiling on the top rate of national insurance contributions; measures to encourage small investors and employees into wider share ownership; and entry now into the European Monetary System.

The Prime Minister failed again and again to promote Britain's long-term interests. European financial co-operation must be developed. Security should be pursued through common policies towards Eastern Europe.

"Europe is our future. To opt out of that future through a nineteenth-century illusion of national sovereignty is a gross betrayal of Britain's best interests."

The Government's deplorable environment record had made Britain "the Dirty Man of Europe".

"Our long-term economic future cannot depend on profligate energy and resource consumption, or upon making Britain a theme park for tourists, or a dustbin for toxic waste."

Their agenda was: investment in the future; the defence of democracy; the improvement of the environment; and an internationalist approach.

Mr Steel (left) and Mr Wrigglesworth (right) leading the applause yesterday for Mr Ashdown after the leader's speech (Photograph: Harry Kerr)

Speech rounds off selling of the leader

By Robin Oakley, Political Editor

Anything short of a declaration of support for apartheid and a string of Jimmy Tarbuck jokes would have ensured an ovation for Paddy Ashdown. But the one he won was genuine.

The speech offered no more than column headings for the Democrats' future. But it was well delivered.

And the jokes were better than Tarbuck's.

Activists who arrived with motivation wavering said afterwards that he had re-fired them.

"The party has begun to gell in the past two days and he has set the seal on it", one said.

"Only a leader with his military background could hope to pinch patriotism as a theme off the Tories", another said.

By party leader standards it may not have been brilliant. But for a man who has been an MP only since 1983 and who had never even rated the front row of the platform for a leader's speech before, it was good.

Mr Ashdown is inevitably far short of his political peak. And he learns quickly.

Of the 200 or so paragraphs in the speech, more than 60 were used to attack Mrs Thatcher; just five to go for Mr Kinnock, when Mr Ashdown's declared aim on becoming leader was to replace Labour.

Well, the strategy is to replace Labour *step by step*, it is explained now. And you don't win converts from Labour by insulting their past judgement.

You simply show you can do a better job of attacking Mrs Thatcher than Labour does.

Perhaps. Or is it that Mr Ashdown has begun to accept that the Alliance did well in the past largely by taking disgruntled Tory votes?

On Sunday night he was insisting that those in the new party had to jettison their political baggage.

Yesterday, having realized that most of his MPs thought that that included them, he was emphasizing the importance of old Liberal traditions.

But the objective of this week was the selling of Mr Ashdown. And he has been successfully sold, to the wider audience and to the party faithful.

His endless tours round the conference fringes have paid off. His accessibility is appreciated.

The problems begin now. By the time the party next meets he will need policies to spell out.

He won't get away with 60 paragraphs of Government-bashing next time.

Before then, too, Mr Ashdown will have to establish his authority in the Commons, no easy task with the Beast of Bolsover lying in wait and Dr David Owen's ex-Foreign Secretaryship making him an automatic draw for the *Today* programme.

And, although the party faithful love him, his fellow MPs do not.

Still smarting from seeing Mr Ashdown and the conference reject their wishes on the party's name, they feel locked into a strategy which by no means all of them embrace but which they cannot attack in public without undermining a new leader.

They plan to grumble at a private get-together next month.

The question is how much it will affect their commitment in the Commons while we wait for the SDP's subscription renewals next January and the local elections next May to show us which way centre party politics is going.

Motion to protect gays is passed

HUMAN RIGHTS

Despite protests that it should not encumber a good motion supporting better human rights, the conference accepted an amendment to prohibit social and legal discrimination against homosexuals.

Mr Richard Holme, a past president of the Liberal Party, moved a motion to support the view of a green paper, *Civil Rights and Liberties*, that human rights and the protection of minorities formed the heart of Democrat values and policies.

"This country is in Western Europe but is governed increasingly like a pre-*glasnost* Eastern European country", he said.

The green paper was about another country, where the rights of the citizens came before those of the Government, with a Bill of Rights and a human rights commission.

Miss Christina Baron, Wells, moved an amendment calling for legislation to prohibit social and legal discrimination against gays and lesbians; a common age of consent; and incitement to hatred on grounds of sexual orientation to be made a criminal offence.

She said that in some cities it was common practice, after closing time, for people to cruise the streets "looking for queers to bash".

Miss Barbara Spring, Cornwall, criticized inclusion of the amendment on gays and lesbians. Specific mention of any one group was selective, discriminatory and inappropriate.

It attracted unnecessary and damaging publicity. There would be headlines: "Democrats champion gays and lesbians". She believed they championed all citizens.

Encumbering this good motion with an unnecessary addition would offend more ordinary people than they could afford to risk losing. To many others, it would seem ridiculous.

Mr Alexander Carlile, MP for Montgomery, said that he found the last contribution intensely depressing (applause). They had to tackle the issues and rights were indivisible.

Mr Robert Maclennan, MP for Caithness and Sutherland, former joint leader of the SLD, said that it had been accepted for too long that parliamentary sovereignty was the guarantee of the freedoms of the people.

"We have seen the erosion of those freedoms take place in the name of Parliament." That had happened as a result of the of the concentration of power in the Executive. Their purpose was to disseminate power.

The amended motion was carried unanimously.

Tories 'despise and fear broadcasters'

TELEVISION

The Government despised and feared the political independence of broadcasters, which was essential to protect free speech, **Mr Menzies Campbell**, MP for North East Fife, told applauding Democrats.

Winding up a debate on the SLD's proposals for television, he said that a minority party had more reasons than most to demand independence in the minds of broadcasters.

"We lose it at our peril", he told delegates, who overwhelmingly carried the proposals and an amendment endorsing calls for the BBC World Service radio to be extended to television.

Mr Menzies said that, until now, television broadcasting had exploited technological improvements. "Now we are in grave danger of technological advance exploiting television.

"The risk is all the greater because of the Government's determination to bring broadcasters to heel."

Mr Jonathan Marks, Falmouth, moved the motion to approve a green paper on television, the main aims of which were to secure a commitment to public service broadcasting, to preserve the independence of broadcasters from censorship and Government diktat, and to take advantage of new technologies.

He said that a proposed European television news service would give the British viewer an opportunity to see world affairs from a world perspective.

They did not need a new Government-inspired censor

"That is essentially what Lord Rees-Mogg's Broadcasting Standards Council is to be and I hope that this party will set itself firmly against censorship. I invite you to vote against 'Moggery' in any form" (applause).

In an alarming and authoritarian trend, the Government had increasingly bullied broadcasters: *Tumbledown*, the Libyan bombing, *Secret Society*, the raid on the BBC offices were landmarks on a road that led away from liberty.

Acid rain policy demanded

Delegates carried overwhelmingly a resolution drawing attention to the threat from global warming, ozone depletion, acid rain and toxic chemicals, and calling on the Government to set up a task force to recommend action to counter damage to the world's environment.

Mr Simon Hughes, MP for Southwark and Bermondsey and outgoing party spokesman on the environment, moving the resolution, said that they had to develop policies providing for sustainable development that improved the living standards of the poorest in the world but avoided environmental degradation.

Mrs Thatcher's speech earlier in the week was to be welcomed. Now they looked for action and he would be asking her to implement the proposals.

Oil rig safety motion carried

The conference carried unanimously an emergency motion on offshore safety, noting the recent North Sea oil rig disasters, calling for the establishment of an offshore safety inspectorate divorced from the Department of Energy.

Moving it, **Mr James Wallace**, chief whip and MP for Orkney and Shetland, said that the disasters reminded them of how hard-won was the oil that brought such benefits.

They had to take notice of offshore workers who expressed their concerns about safety anonymously because they were afraid of losing their jobs if they revealed their names.

They had to learn the lessons of the two disasters. They had to be implemented and not bogged down in a bureaucratic Whitehall mire.

Candidates' adverts halted

An emergency resolution to stop candidates for party office advertising in party literature was carried. **Mr Bob Senior**, Leeds East, said that just as they condemned cheque-book journalism, so they should not allow credit-card vote-buying. Having plenty of cash in the bank should not be the qualification they looked for in candidates.

Opposing the motion, **Mr Colin Rosentiel**, Cambridge, said that in a mature party they should rely on self-regulation. There should be a degree of trust.

March meeting

The next conference of the Social and Liberal Democrats will be held at Bournemouth from March 3 to 5 next year.

Move in deputy chief contest

By Richard Ford, Political Correspondent

Sir Russell Johnston is considering standing for the deputy leadership of the Democrats in a move aimed at counter-balancing the style of Mr Paddy Ashdown.

His supporters believe that he would offer reassurance to former Liberal members of the parliamentary party who lost the battle to have the party named Liberal Democrats.

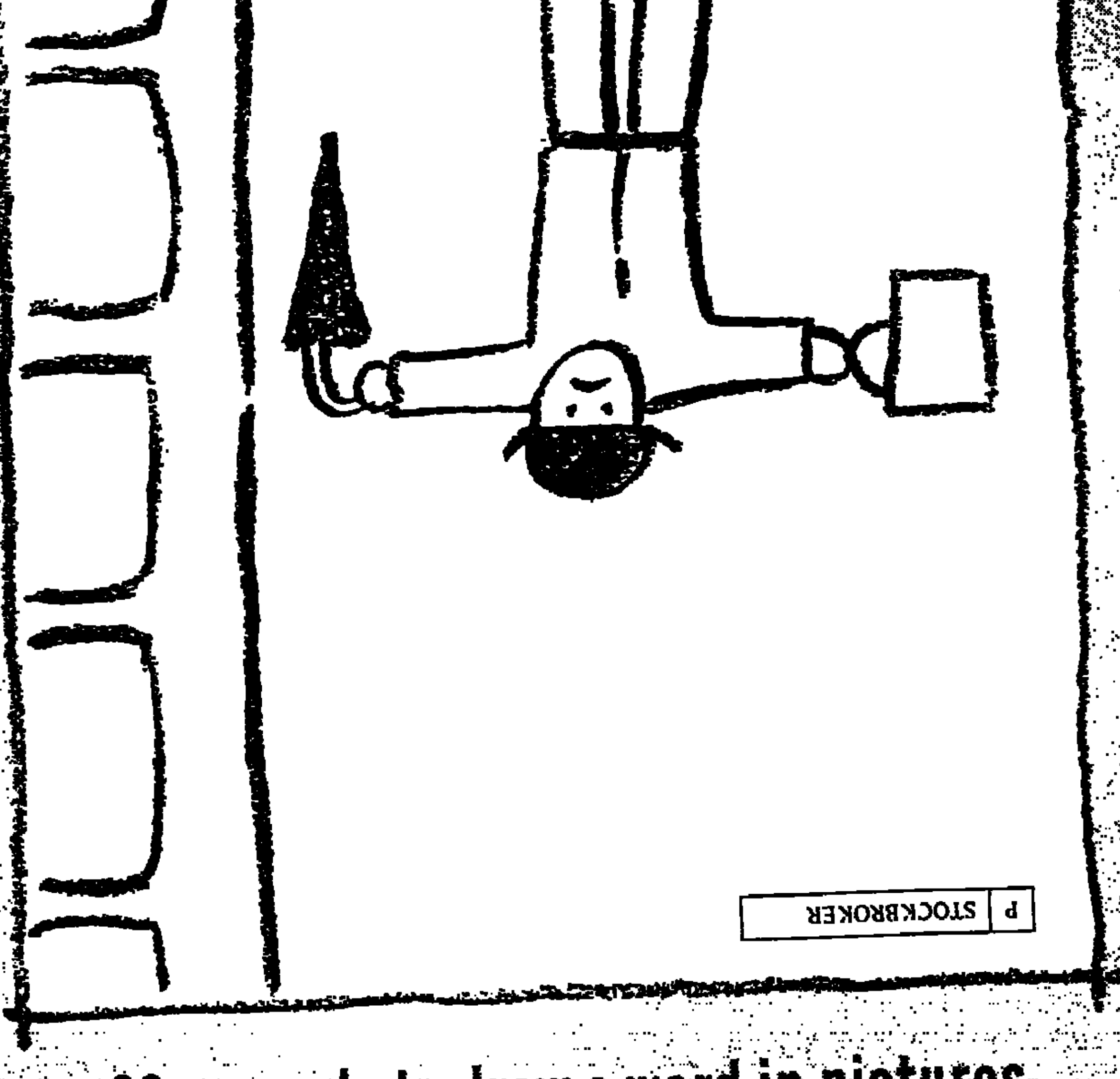
Yesterday, Sir Russell said: "I am considering standing but first will talk to my colleagues". But it is unclear if he would stand if Mr Alan Beith, defeated for the leadership, decides during the next few weeks to seek the deputy leadership.

Although he maintains that he would be unlikely to stand, Mr Beith will come under pressure from his colleagues to go for the job and would probably be unchallenged if he did because he retains the respect of a majority in the parliamentary party.

Mr Menzies Campbell, QC, aged 47, who is being backed by Mr Ashdown for the job, said that he would not contest the deputy leadership if Mr Beith was a candidate.

He was an early supporter of Mr Ashdown's bid for the leadership of the newly merged party and has a key post as defence spokesman.

Close associates of Mr Ashdown see Mr Campbell, who is MP for North East Fife, as an ideal partner. But first estimates by colleagues suggest that Sir Russell would be likely to beat him by 12 votes to 7.



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Light pierces funereal gloom as Japan death-watch wanes

From Joe Joseph
Tokyo

The Japanese appear to be quietly tiring of the solemn death-watch that has been set up to mark the final days of Emperor Hirohito's 62-year reign.

Yesterday, for the first time, a leading newspaper and a top government official hinted that the nation might be overdoing it.

So far the cracks in the funereal conformity are tiny. But they betray the confusion and soul-searching that has washed over a nation in recent days.

It is not just that more and more Japanese are beginning to question whether the nation can afford such a dramatic slowdown in its diplomatic and commercial activity, but many Japanese are also worried that such reverence suggests a role for the monarch he does not possess under Japan's post-war Constitution.

Under the Constitution, not only did the Emperor "de-God" himself, as the Americans described it, but he became a symbol, rather than the ruler, of the nation. Monarchists will look in vain for his profile on the nation's stamps or bank notes.

Nonetheless, over the past two weeks Japan has been shelving important foreign trips by government ministers and cancelling parties and celebrations lest friends – or, in the case of companies, customers – think them insensitive in a time of national grief. Some companies have switched off their neon signs and told staff to wear dark clothes.

Schools in one district of Tokyo have been ordered to start races at athletics meetings with a gentle blow on a whistle rather than with a pistol.

A Tokyo Metropolitan Government's street-cleaning bureau has changed the "Clean Tokyo Festival", held each October, to the "Month to Consider the Garbage Problem".

Meanwhile, a department store that was planning a "Wine Festival" has demoted the event to a "Wine Fair" – fairs, apparently, being less indulgent than festivals. Festivals are off.

No one underestimates the devotion and respect that the Emperor, aged 87, still commands in a country proud of its 2,000-year Imperial line.

More than 2 million Japanese, most of them too young to remember the Emperor's accession to the throne in 1926 or the Second World War, have braved the driving rain that has drenched Japan for the past few weeks to sign registers wishing the Emperor a speedy recovery.

As long as the Emperor's demise appeared imminent – last Saturday the Government was ready for the worst – nothing much else seemed to matter.

But after nearly two weeks of drumming their fingers and waiting, many Japanese are beginning to wonder at the prolonged at the cost to the nation.

The prickliest protests so far have come from the Japan Socialist Party and the Japan Communist Party. Both are irritated by the *brouhaha* over the Emperor's failing health, particularly the decision of Japan's Parliament to send official good wishes to his bedside.

Some Japanese also believe that fears of reprisals by right-wingers have cowed the press, which has trodden lightly and largely refrained from reporting medical evidence that the Emperor appears to be suffering from pancreatic cancer.

The media have generally thought it best to bend with the wind rather than puncture the funereal gloom that hangs over Japan.

Mr Takashi Inoguchi, a lecturer in political science at Tokyo University, is one of many who fear that the Government has over-stepped the mark.

"The Emperor is merely a symbol of the nation and I think the Government should restrain itself from taking actions, like cancelling foreign trips by ministers, that elevate the Emperor from a symbol to the role of a sovereign," he said.

Yesterday, the *Asahi Shimbun*, one of Japan's most authoritative daily newspapers, tested the water by running an editorial that chided the Government for cancelling a visit by Mr Sosuke Uno, Japan's Foreign Minister, to the United Nations General Assembly in New York and another by Mr Kiichi Miyazawa, the Finance Minister, to the International Monetary Fund and World Bank meeting in West Berlin.

World events continued regardless, the newspaper said gingerly, and Japan could not shirk its growing responsibilities because the Emperor was very sick.

Sensing the changing mood, the Japanese Government yesterday also called for a re-evaluation. Mr Keizo Obuchi, Chief Cabinet Secretary, said: "Self restraint reflects, I believe, a sincere wish by people for him (the Emperor) to recover. But this is not good if daily life is to be disturbed.

"I think the Emperor, who cares about the people, might not feel happy about seeing people's daily lives disturbed."

Kremlin's military glasnost

Soviet chief of staff reveals naval 'figures' for Nato

By Michael Evans, Defence Correspondent

Marshal Sergei Akhromeyev, Chief of Staff of the Soviet Armed Forces, gave a personal assurance yesterday that the Soviet Union was determined to pursue the new policy of openness in "the military sphere" as well as in politics.

The Soviet Union's most senior military commander demonstrated his own interpretation of *glasnost* when he revealed new figures which he claimed accurately compared the sizes of the US and Soviet naval forces.

Marshal Akhromeyev, giving the Olof Palme memorial lecture, in honour of the late Swedish Prime Minister, in Stockholm yesterday, made a strong attack on Nato for rejecting the Soviet Union's proposal for including naval forces in conventional arms talks.

The mandate for the new Conventional Stability talks, now being drawn up in Vienna by delegates from the 23 countries of the Warsaw Pact and the Nato alliance, is restricted to land forces.

Marshal Akhromeyev claimed that naval and air forces represented the biggest threat to security.

"What causes concern are the oceans and seas," he said. "The navies of the two military alliances confront each other there. That is where the risk of military conflicts is constantly increasing due to the building up of power and to the active nature of operations of the navies of the Western powers."

The threat from Nato naval forces is now one of Moscow's favourite themes. Mr Mikhail Gorbachov, the Soviet leader, began beating this particular drum in Vladivostok in July 1986 and repeated it in Murmansk in October last year, in Belgrade in March this year, and most recently in Krasnoyarsk, southern Siberia, earlier this month.

Marshal Akhromeyev said he understood why the US did not want to include navies and air forces in the new confidence-building measures. He said it was because the US had superiority over the Soviet Union in these areas.

He then quoted figures to back up his theme. He claimed the US had 2.5 times more "big warships" (battleships, cruisers, destroyers and missile-armed frigates) than the Soviet Union.

Western defence experts yesterday explained how he came to such a comparison. They said he appeared to have removed from his estimate all Soviet warships which were less than 4,000 tons. But he had also failed to count the 32 Krivak class frigates, while including all 115 of the US frigate force – even though the American frigates are smaller in size than the Krivaks.

Western sources said that this accounting illustrated the problems that lay ahead in talks on conventional ground forces.

Yet the Soviet military commander insisted yesterday that the Soviet Union was ready to exchange initial data on its armed forces before the conventional talks began.

"One might often hear apprehensions that this would lead to futile discussion of numerical data," he said. "I am sure that this shall not happen. We propose not merely a data exchange but also thorough verification, including on-site inspections, at any time convenient for the parties after the beginning of the talks."

He claimed that if all the components of conventional armed forces – the army, air force, navy and air defence – were taken into account, there was "an approximate parity" of forces in Europe.

"But still there are certain imbalances and asymmetries in various weapons and services which are the mutual concern of both the East and the West," he admitted. "Let us eliminate them and then take up a radical reduction in armed forces and make them strictly defensive in structure and grouping."

Marshal Akhromeyev insisted that with the Intermediate Nuclear Forces treaty now taking effect – and so far the Soviet Union had "liquidated" 200 medium-range and shorter-range missiles compared to 20 by the United States – the Warsaw Pact was prepared to "settle" conventional force issues "objectively and impartially".

But he emphasized that although there had been a transition "from unpredictable zigzags in relations between the Soviet Union and the United States" to more normal and stable relations, there was "no smooth road lying ahead" for the reduction of nuclear and conventional armaments.

He also wondered why Nato did not want to include sea-based tactical strike aircraft in the conventional talks.

"Nato countries outnumber Warsaw Treaty countries in tactical strike aviation, approximately by 1,500 aircraft," he said. "Almost 70 per cent of the total number of all Nato combat aircraft based in Europe and on aircraft carriers off its shores are strike aircraft.

He said that Warsaw Pact navies also had substantial strike capablities. "So why do we not try to understand and take into account our mutual concerns?"

Nobel prize for 'blue berets'

A member of the UN peacekeeping force sharing a relaxed moment away from southern Lebanon's battlefronts with three local youngsters. The efforts of the troops, drawn mainly from Scandinavian and non-aligned countries, earned them the award announced yesterday.

From James Bone
New York

The United Nations peace-keeping forces, which this year have intervened in Afghanistan and the Gulf, and may soon enter Namibia, the Western Sahara and Cambodia, yesterday won the 1988 Nobel Peace Prize.

The Nobel Committee, in a statement released in the Norwegian capital, Oslo, said that the UN forces, both observer groups and lightly armed military units, had under extremely difficult conditions contributed to reducing tensions where an armistice has been negotiated, but a peace treaty has yet to be established.

The committee commended the forces, for making a decisive contribution towards the initiation of actual peace negotiations in regional conflicts.

The UN Secretary-General, Señor Javier Pérez de Cuéllar, said here that the honouring of the peace-keeping forces was "one of the most brilliant decisions of the committee".

Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Foreign Secretary, said that he shared the general pleasure about the decision, as Britain has been a strong advocate of such forces.

The award caps a year of remarkable success in the UN's peace efforts, largely attributable to the improvement in relations between the superpowers.

President Reagan and Mr Mikhail Gorbachov, who agreed to abolish intermediate-range nuclear missiles, were among the field of 95 candidates for the peace prize.

In April, 50 UN "blue berets" were despatched to Afghanistan and Pakistan to monitor the withdrawal of Soviet troops, which was finally agreed after six years of UN-sponsored talks.

Then in August, a 350-man force was sent to the Gulf to monitor a ceasefire declared when Iran accepted UN Resolution 598.

A further 10,000 UN soldiers, most of them from Scandinavia, Austria and Canada, are keeping the peace in five other zones of conflict – the India-Pakistan border, Cyprus, the Golan Heights, Lebanon, and the Sinai desert.

The Secretary-General returned this week from southern Africa where American-sponsored peace talks have opened the way for implementation of a UN independence plan for Namibia.

South Africa has agreed to allow a UN mission to visit the territory soon to assess what kind of a presence will be necessary if the plan, adopted by the General Assembly a decade ago today, is to be put into effect.

The UN team could require as many as 7,000 "blue berets". Another force is likely to be despatched to the disputed former Spanish colony of the Western Sahara. Morocco and the Polisario Front guerrilla group, which have been fighting for control of the desert territory for 13 years, last month accepted a plan to end the war.

The UN may also intervene in Cambodia to supervise an internal settlement once Soviet-backed Vietnamese forces complete their withdrawal from the country.

The UN estimates that the cost of its peacekeeping efforts could rise soon, from the present $250 million (£149 million) a year to as much as $2 billion.

WORLD ROUNDUP

British links with Iran hang fire

Prospects for a resumption of full diplomatic links with Iran remained uncertain last night when three days of talks between British and Iranian officials ended in Geneva (Andrew McEwen writes). A senior official who took part in the talks, Mr Rob Young, was flying to New York to report to the Foreign Secretary, Sir Geoffrey Howe, who is attending the UN General Assembly. He is to meet his Iranian counterpart, Dr Ali Akbar Velayati, today.

A spokesman at the British Mission in Geneva said that the talks were over and no formal decisions had been reached. But it was not clear whether this meant that the two sides had been unable to resolve their differences.

Iranian officials have been seeking British acceptance that problems between the two countries were of Britain's making, but it now appears that they have been willing to accept a loosely-worded general statement.

● **CAIRO:** As the diplomatic shifts and manoeuvres in the Middle East multiply in the wake of the ceasefire in the Iran-Iraq war, Kuwait has despatched two diplomats to reopen its embassy in Tehran (Christopher Walker writes).

Diplomatic sources said that Kuwait, under the leadership of the Emir, Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmed al-Sabah, wanted to re-establish a degree of balance in its relations with Iran and Iraq. "We want to forget the past. There is no reason to keep the tension going", said Mr Saud Mohammed al-Osaimi, minister of state for foreign affairs.

Task force on floods

Delhi – India and Bangladesh agreed yesterday to set up a task force to try to prevent flooding which has plagued the eastern side of the sub-continent (Edward Gorman writes).

Experts from both countries are to study proposals for the Ganges and Brahmaputra river systems which the Indians say they first put forward in 1978. They will make recommendations for flood management and the control of water flows, reporting back in six months. The decision follows a visit here by President Ershad of Bangladesh, who has long sought a multinational solution to the annual disasters.

US defence row ends

Washington – Congress has ended its bitter dispute with President Reagan over arms control and has approved a $299.5 billion (£180 billion) Defence Authorization Bill, which answers some of the complaints he made when he vetoed the first version in early August (Mohsin Ali writes). Although the new Bill gives him no extra money for his controversial Strategic Defence Initiative (Star Wars) programme, the President is expected to sign the Bill into law to end the dispute between himself and the Democrat-controlled Congress during election year.

Broadcast blackout

Paris – A television strike deprived viewers of the Seoul Olympics and several areas remained without television or radio as the strike spread to other sectors in what appeared to be a final burst of energy (Susan MacDonald writes).

Personnel in Télédiffusion, the company responsible for all TV transmission, joined strikers who have shut down the public channels, Antenne 2 and FR3, for the last 10 days. Life is being made difficult for the Prime Minister, M Michel Rocard, by other strikes by nurses, prison warders and pilots, all seeking better pay and conditions.

Extended talks fail

Brazzaville (Reuter) – Diplomats at the peace talks on independence for South African-ruled Namibia mediated by the US said yesterday that agreement was unlikely.

The expected adjournment would disappoint hopes that a United Nations plan could be implemented before tomorrow, the tentative deadline. Angola, Cuba and South Africa focused the unscheduled fourth day of talks on a US proposal which would remove Cuban troops from Angola in two years' time, sources said, but differences emerged over what the Cubans would do during the phased withdrawal.

Election looms in Greece

Socialists in despair over Papandreou's illness

From Mario Modiano, Athens

Whether Mr Andreas Papandreou, the Greek Prime Minister, recovers from his heart operation and is fit enough to resume his dominant political role or not, Greek politics will never be the same again.

The sudden realization by the ruling Socialists that their charismatic leader is not, after all, immortal, caused confusion and despair. It also revealed the first hesitant ripples of latent ambition within the party.

Even if Mr Papandreou's health is fully restored, the search for political alternatives, if not an heir, will be foremost in the minds of his associates and deputies.

Mr Papandreou's health deteriorated at a sensitive moment. A general election is due within the next eight and a half months, and after seven years in power, his Panhellenic Socialist Movement (Pasok) is losing popularity.

Pasok, which won two previous elections with 48 and 46 per cent of the vote respectively, is given less than 30 per cent by current opinion polls – 10 points less than the conservative opposition party, New Democracy, led by Mr Constantine Mitsotakis. There is still a large, but diminishing reservoir of undecided left-wing voters.

The Socialists, disheartened and disorganized, were counting heavily on Mr Papandreou to lure back the disgruntled left-wingers. If he did, he would give Pasok an unprecedented third term in office. But even before he was taken ill, there were lingering doubts whether the old Papandreou magic would work. The break-up of his marriage and his highly publicized romance did not enhance his image.

Most Greeks seem to believe that without Mr Papandreou, Pasok would fall apart. He has been in a London hospital for more than five weeks already and refuses to appoint a stand-in.

Mr Mitsotakis, the Opposition leader, yesterday called unsuccessfully on the Government to appoint an acting Prime Minister until Mr Papandreou gets over his operation. "The country cannot be run from a London hospital bed," he said.

Under the Greek Constitution, if the Prime Minister is unable to fulfil his duties, the parliamentary group of the majority party, in this case Pasok which holds 155 of 300 seats, must convene and nominate a new Prime Minister within three days.

● **Operation imminent:** Amid a flurry of medical and family preparations the Greek Embassy yesterday made clear that the long-expected heart operation on Mr Papandreou is imminent (Andrew McEwen writes).

He has been in hospital in London since August 25 waiting until doctors pronounced him strong enough to undergo the operation to replace a heart valve.

Two of his sons and the surgeon who is to carry out the operation were due to arrive by air yesterday. A junior Government minister arrived earlier this week, and a third son is also in London.

The Embassy said that the operation at Harefield Hospital might take place today, but it was more likely to be at the weekend.

The surgeon, Professor Magdi Yacoub, predicted two weeks ago that it would happen within a fortnight, and yesterday the Embassy said it stuck by that forecast.

The delay has arisen because Mr Papandreou's condition, known as aorta stenosis, has caused side effects. Medical reports said his liver, kidneys and lung had been affected. "The doctors wanted to bring his body up to the point where it would be safe to operate. The Prime Minister is now ready," one official said.

Aorta stenosis is a condition in which the main valve carrying blood from the heart narrows and becomes clogged.

Vatican is pressed to hold inquiry into Pope's death

From Roger Boyes, Rome

The diocese of the late Pope John Paul I, who died after only 33 days as Pontiff, is pressing the Vatican for a post mortem examination to clear up some of the mystery surrounding his death.

Pope John Paul I, the former Cardinal Albino Luciani, died in his bed 10 years ago. The official cause was given as heart disease, but the circumstances of his death and the tangles of Vatican politics have encouraged Italy's conspiracy theorists to suggest a high-level cover-up.

One author, the British journalist David Yallop, has even suggested that the Pope was murdered.

Don Andrea Tison, parish priest of the Pope's home town, Canale d'Agrodo in northern Italy, has formed the "Committee for the Tenth Anniversary" as a way of lobbying the Vatican. He has been trying, through his bishop, to revive the issue of holding a post mortem examination.

As the body was embalmed, it is argued, an examination could still provide vital clues and help to dispel the rumours. Certainly there are still many questions about the way the death was handled by the Vatican.

Some form of medical examination occurred shortly before the funeral. The embalmers were summoned with unusual haste. The Pope's belongings were removed quickly from his room after his body was discovered, and there is conflict about who found the body.

The official Vatican version has always been that the Pope was found by Father John Magee, his private secretary. In fact, as Father Magee has just told the Catholic monthly *Thirty Days*, the body was found by a nun.

There are, in fact, two "suppression" theories about the death. The first, that of Yallop in the book *In God's Name* (Cape, 1984), is that the Pope was poisoned by those trying to conceal the emerging scandal within the Vatican bank and the doomed Banco Ambrosiano.

The Vatican, after long hesitation, has decided to open its doors to another British writer, John Cornwell, to demonstrate that this could not have been the case. Many key actors in the drama, including the controversial head of the Vatican bank, Archbishop Paul Marcinkus, have given him long testimonials.

The second cover-up theory is that the Pope, overwrought because of planned changes in Church policy, took sedatives to help him to sleep. On the night of September 27-28, the dose was too strong.

Bruised but unbroken ANC writer returns to fray

By Nicholas Beeston

Nearly six months after he was blown up in a car bomb attack and left for dead by suspected South African agents in Maputo, Mr Albie Sachs, the prominent ANC intellectual and writer, appears to be on the way to a remarkable recovery.

He survived the full impact of the blast from his booby-trapped Honda Civic, unlike his colleague and friend Ruth First, who was killed by a letter bomb in Maputo in 1982, and a series of other ANC members who have been pursued and killed worldwide.

Now in Britain and in hiding, as much from the smothering support of his friends as his enemies, Mr Sachs, aged 53, is making his comeback from a London flat.

Behind the grey-blue shrapnel wounds peppering his face, the loss of sight of his left eye and the injuries to his legs which have reduced his walk to an old man's shuffle, Mr Sachs is learning to adjust to his new handicaps with a cool detachment and occasionally a sense of humour which indicates that his lawyer-trained mind is still unscathed and undeterred.

"I don't believe in an eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth or an arm for an arm," he said, as the empty tartan shirt sleeve dangled where his right arm used to be.

Mr Sachs had used his right hand to scribble illicit notes in prison and later to write his *Jail Diaries*, an account of his detention in South Africa in the early 1960s which gained him an international reputation. Now stripped of his writing tool, he is teaching his left hand to perform the same duties and hopes later to master a word processor.

Mr Sachs: Colleagues' talk of vengeance upsets him

He first came to the attention of the South African authorities in the 1950s when he joined the banned black nationalist movement and fled the country in 1966 to Britain where he read law at Sussex University and then taught at Southampton.

Britain is the shelter he returns to when his life is in crisis, he explained, but the last decade he has spent in Mozambique has been one of the most professionally rewarding of his life.

As one of several ANC strategists working on drafting a constitution for a post-apartheid society he had made himself particularly unpopular recently with the South African Government.

The document, which is beginning to circulate within South Africa, has especially angered Pretoria because of the liberal interpretation it has given the ANC's Freedom Charter, which is frequently dismissed by the authorities as a cover for a communist manifesto.

"They (the South African Government) want to pre-empt any alternative vision of South Africa," he explained. "They think the problem will go away if they can eliminate the people who articulate ANC ideas."

But for Mr Sachs, who said the attempt on his life had strengthened his desire to see peace in South Africa, the ideological battle over South Africa's future is likely to become increasingly obscured by the rising level of violence perpetrated by the authorities through their ruthless campaign against dissent.

His own organization has also been blamed for a wave of recent indiscriminate bombing attacks that have taken their toll in human life.

"I support the ANC's right to use violence at a political level to the extent that peaceful forms of protest have been eliminated," he said, looking distinctively uncomfortable with the slogan.

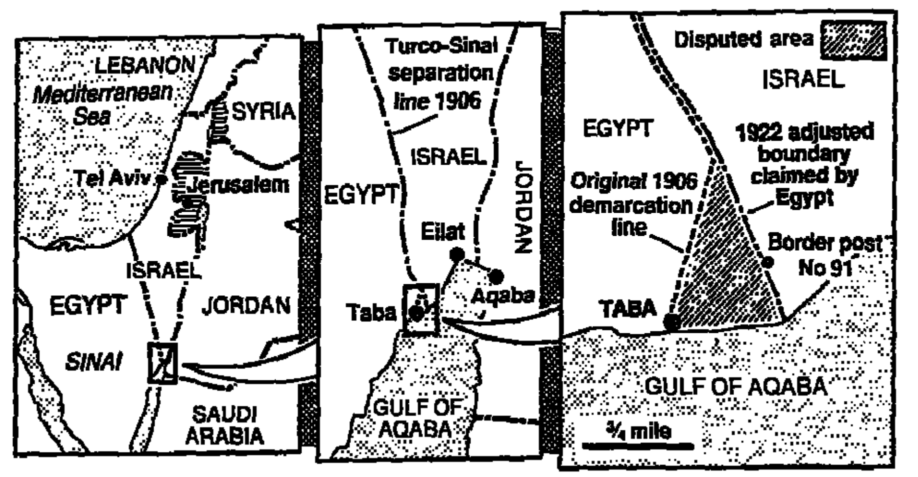
To many intellectual whites in the organization political ideology is simpler to explain than the effects of the ANC's guerrilla warfare which has left many South Africans with the same injuries as Mr Sachs.

"I got a letter from a friend, a very bloodthirsty letter, saying we are going to get them for this (the attack).

" My friends were very angry. But the talk of vengeance upset me a lot. How can we descend to their level?" he asked.

Defiant Israel ordered to return Taba to Egypt

From A Correspondent
Geneva



An international panel ruled yesterday that Israel should hand over a tiny strip of Red Sea beach to Egypt, ending a six-year *border dispute.*

The four-one verdict was announced in Geneva by an international arbitration tribunal which said the resort of Taba, a 700-yard stretch of beach held by Israel, should be returned to Egyptian control. The Israeli judge, Ruth Lapidoth, cast the only dissenting vote.

However, there is still confusion surrounding the position of the last few hundred yards of the disputed border in the Sinai Peninsula. The ruling does not fix the short distance between the final marker post of a line of 91 established in 1906 and the sea. As a result Israel is claiming that *the issue is remains* unresolved and is seeking more talks.

The Egyptians maintain that the border *should be continued in a straight* line which would place an Israeli-owned hotel and holiday village in Egyptian territory.

Both sides claimed during the tribunal to have evidence that mark 91 puts the Taba enclave in their territory. For the Israelis, this would mean that the border would run conveniently behind the five-star Aviya Sonesta *Hotel and holiday* village.

● **JERUSALEM:** Even before yesterday's *arbitration decision* was formally announced, there were signs here that this might not be the end of the protracted dispute that has embittered Israeli-Egyptian relations over the past 10 years (David Bernstein writes).

Some leading Likud politicians have been insisting that the arbitrators' decision would not spell the inevitable loss of the valuable tourist complex that Israel developed in Taba.

The international arbitration panel, they point out, was only authorized to determine the location of the border markers along the Egyptian-Israeli frontier and not to delineate the border itself. And the last of these border markers, No. 91, is some 150 yards from the Red Sea shoreline, leaving room, they claim, to negotiate the course of the border over the last critical yards in such a way that it would leave the *tourist facilities in Israeli hands.*

Labour, for its part, has indicated that it might prefer deferment of the final implementation of the arbitration decision until after the November 1 election here.

The party feels highly vulnerable to *Likud charges, which are expected to* feature prominently in its election propaganda over the next few weeks, that Labour is "soft" on vital national issues and too ready to capitulate to Arab demands. The countries have been at loggerheads over *the area since Israel refused to return it* with the rest of Sinai to Egypt in 1982.

Israel based its claim to the area *on a* 1906 British-Ottoman map which showed Taba to be clearly beyond British-controlled Egypt's Sinai border with *the* Ottoman Empire.

The Egyptians, on the other hand, based their claim on the 1922 map delineating the border between Egypt and Mandatory Palestine, which placed Taba clearly on the *Egyptian side of the border.*

Moreover, the Egyptians have argued, this became the international boundary between Israel and *Egypt in 1948. This was* the border crossed by Israeli forces when they invaded Sinai in 1967 and to which *they should have returned* when they left Sinai in 1982.

Legal experts have been sceptical all *along about the legal strength* of the Israeli claim, and Israel was extremely reluctant to put it to the test of binding arbitration.

The Israeli Prime Minister, Mr Yitzhak Shamir, with the future of the much more important *West Bank and Gaza Strip in* mind, has made clear that he would prefer not to set a precedent whereby peace with *the Arabs could come* only at the price of Israel's returning every square inch of the land it occupied in *1967.*

He was quite prepared, therefore, to allow the *status quo* to continue, even at *the expense* of an improvement in the "cold peace" with Egypt, which has regarded Israel's *unilateral* retention of Taba as an impediment to any such improvement.

The Israeli *Foreign* Minister, Mr Shimon Peres, who is anxious to press forward with the regional peace process, believed *on the other* hand that the country's obdurate stand not only impeded peace but that it also endangered relations with Egypt.

He forced the Government's hand two years ago, just before he was due to hand over the post of *Prime* Minister to Mr Shamir, to agree to arbitration, even if it meant losing Taba.

Yesterday's *decision* is likely to play a prominent part in the election campaign, which is in full swing.

There were calls *earlier* this week in Israel's Red Sea tourist resort, Eilat, which adjoins Taba, for the razing of the five-star Sonesta-Avia Hotel and other tourist facilities if Israel is forced to cede the enclave.

Fearing that the Egyptians could use these facilities as a basis for a tourist centre that would compete with *Eilat and cut* deeply into its income, townspeople were citing the precedent of Yamit, the Israeli-built town in *northern Sinai* which Israel destroyed as part of a scorched-earth policy before returning the area to Egypt in *1982.*

42 held over Kosovo unrest

Belgrade – Police in the tense Kosovo region of Yugoslavia said yesterday they had rounded up 42 ethnic Albanians and seized guns, ammunition, *printing* equipment and leaflets allegedly calling for an armed revolt (*Dessa* Trevisan writes).

In what appears to be the largest security operation since *riots* broke out in Kosovo seven years ago, police swooped on students and *teachers* accused of leading the separatist movement which has provoked nationwide demonstrations in support of the Serbian minority which lives in Kosovo.

Four ethnic Albanian conscripts in the Yugoslav Army were *recently given stiff* prison sentences for plotting to steal guns and ammunition to start *an uprising.*

Rough justice

Harare (Reuter) – A Latin greeting from the Pope brought Zimbabwe's Parliament to a halt when the Justice Minister, Mr Emmerson Mnangagwa, objected to the use of what was not an official language.

Berlin swim

Berlin (Reuter) – Two East Germans managed to swim across the Havel river to west Berlin, hours after two men escaped over the wall and a woman was captured as border guards fired at them.

Namphy veto

Santo Domingo (Reuter) – The Dominican Republic's Senate declared the *ousted* military leader of Haiti, Lieutenant-General Henri Namphy, *persona non grata* and urged his expulsion.

Robbers die

Manila (Reuter) – Philippine security forces shot dead 10 armed robbers who were holding up foreign tourists near the *international* airport, a police spokesman said.

Rebel victory

Khartoum (AFP) – The Sudanese Government admitted *that rebels had captured* the southern town of Kayala.

Uganda clash

Kampala (Reuter) – Ugandan troops killed 17 rebels from the Uganda People's Army after the guerrillas shot dead six civilians in the western town of Kumi.

Press protest

Dhaka – About 300 Bangladeshi journalists took to the *streets demanding the* repeal of laws which curb anti-government reporting.

Drug swoop

Málaga, Spain (AFP) – Police seized nearly 1,562 lb of hashish worth £7 million but two *suspected* traffickers escaped.

Cuban ties

Brussels (Reuter) – The EEC announced that diplomatic relations have been established with Cuba.

Sino-Soviet rapprochement

Chinese minister's Moscow talks raise hopes of a summit

From Catherine Sampson, Peking

China's Foreign Minister, Mr Qian Qichen, is to hold talks in Moscow before the end of the year which are likely to pave the way to a summit meeting between the two neighbours.

The visit, *the* first to the Soviet Union by a Chinese Foreign Minister since 1956, *was* announced yesterday at the United Nations in New York.

"The exchange of visits between the Foreign Ministers *of China and the Soviet Union* constitutes a step towards a meeting between the top leaders of the two countries," a Foreign Ministry spokesman told a *press conference in* Peking. "It is our hope that the two sides will work in this direction."

Mr Eduard Shevardnadze, the Soviet *Foreign Minister*, and Mr Qian discussed at the UN the possibility of a return visit to Peking. If that happens, it would be the first such visit since 1959.

Shortly after that date the Communist alliance was torn apart by arguments over ideology and foreign policy. So deep was the enmity this aroused that only now, 30 years later, is normalization a real possibility.

However rapid progress is not expected. *The* ministry spokesman said there was "a lot of arduous work to do between Mr Qian's visit and a meeting of top leaders", and reminded *journalists* of the three obstacles to normalizing Chinese-Soviet relations: Cambodia, the activities of Soviet troops along the border with China, and *Afghanistan.*

On Cambodia, some progress had already been made, *the* spokesman said, referring to a statement this month by Mr *Mikhail Gorbachov, the* Soviet leader, that Moscow was willing to work for an early resolution.

Observers believe that Mr Gorbachov's statement was instrumental in Peking's decision to send its Foreign Minister to Moscow.

But while the other two issues are unlikely to prove significant stumbling blocks to *political rapprochement*, Peking's condemnation of the Vietnamese occupation of Cambodia could still derail plans for a summit. This will *be the main subject* of discussion when the Foreign Ministers meet in Moscow.

Peking wants Moscow to urge Soviet-backed Vietnam *to withdraw as soon as* possible, and before it has a chance to ensure a large role in a subsequent government.

The issue is further complicated by the Soviet Union's insistence that it cannot order Vietnam to do anything it does not want to do, and by disagreement on the role of *the Khmer Rouge*, funded by China, after a Vietnamese pull-out.

Earlier hopes of a breakthrough on Cambodia were dashed when *Mr Igor* Rogachev, the Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister, held inconclusive talks in Peking with his Chinese counterpart *last month. Although both* sides described those talks as beneficial, the central sticking points remained: the timetable *for a Vietnamese* withdrawal; the form of a subsequent government; and the extent of international supervision.

Mr Gorbachov and Mr Deng Xiaoping, China's paramount leader, would like recognition in the history books for bringing about a rapprochement. At a time of gradually improving superpower relations, the Sino-Soviet split is seen as an anachronism.

In recent years cultural exchanges and trade links have been increasing rapidly. *Substantial border barter* has taken the place of border fighting and the two countries have even conducted a joint border-mapping exercise.

Mr Qian had been involved on Wednesday in "a frank and sincere exchange of views on the Kampuchea question, bilateral relations and other questions of common concern" with his Soviet counterpart in New York, the ministry spokesman said.

The Moscow visit was announced shortly afterwards, but the date has still to be fixed.

Reporters at the UN were told by Mr Gennady Gerasimov, the Soviet spokesman, that "Soviet-Chinese relations must be normalized. We are on the way."

He said Mr Shevardnadze had felt, along with the rest of the General Assembly, that with the improvement in Soviet- US relations, "maybe it is also time to improve Soviet- *Chinese relations*".

China's Premier, Mr Li Peng, in a bid to forestall Western fears over a socialist alliance between Peking and *Moscow, has said he does not* envisage a 1950s-style bloc.

Helsinki (Reuter) – The Dalai Lama, Tibet's exiled spiritual leader, said yesterday he was *preparing for direct talks with* China, which last week made the offer provided he dropped demands for Tibetan independence. However, the Dalai *Lama refused to speculate on* their success, and again called for Tibetan self-government within China, which Peking has previously rejected.

Seoul students threaten Games

A student preparing to hurl a *petrol* bomb as his companion's clothing bursts into flame during demonstrations against the arrest of Mr Oh Yong-Shik, one of their leaders, in Seoul yesterday.

After a period of relative calm in deference to the Olympic Games, petrol bombs have begun to fly again through*out the city*, and *militant students* are also threatening to disrupt the men's Olympic marathon on Sunday afternoon (Gavin Bell writes).

After Mr Oh's arrest, about 1,500 students stormed out of Korea University in north-eastern Seoul yesterday, hurling rocks *as well* as petrol bombs at *riot* police massed around the campus. Relatives of political prisoners joined students from another dozen universities as they chanted slogans denouncing the *Olympic Games and calling for Mr Oh's* release.

The security forces did not respond, *and no arrests were reported.* A local cameraman received second degree burns from a firebomb.

***The tide of anger is, however, clearly* rising at the detention of Mr Oh, who is chairman of a student activist group. *He* was formally charged on Tuesday with *organizing anti-Government demonstrations* in recent months.**

If the aim of his arrest was to reduce *student unrest during the Olympics, the* effect has been precisely the opposite. Daily protest rallies have increased, and militants have warned that they may vent their anger on the marathon course. Yesterday's *demonstration was the* biggest since the Games began.

Reports of an organized right-wing *backlash, involving hired thugs* with clubs confronting students, have not been confirmed, but there have been clashes with Korean sports fans.

Enigma of the Sudetenland

Traces of expelled Germans haunt republic

By Richard Bassett
East European
Correspondent

Fifty years ago yesterday Mr Neville Chamberlain, the *British* Prime Minister, set off for *Munich* for a *meeting* with Adolf Hitler to determine the fate of the country which he was later to refer to as a "far away place" containing "*people of whom we know* nothing".

Half a century later, the Sudetenland, the western territories of Czechoslovakia which before the war were largely German speaking, still remains something of an *enigma.*

In 1948 the Czechoslovak Government expelled more than three and a half million Sudeten Germans, almost a quarter of the republic's *population. It was a move* which, though understandable in the light of immediate post-war feelings, none the less devastated Bohemia and Moravia.

Entire villages became ghost settlements overnight. In towns and cities whole streets emptied as the largely German-speaking middle classes fled, often with no more than a suitcase per family.

Although many of them had actively supported Hitler's regime, there were tens of *thousands* who had been arrested by the Nazis and, right up to the end, had hoped to remain patriotic German-speaking Czechoslovaks.

After looters and officials had removed any remaining treasures from their vacated homes, thousands of gypsies were *settled in them – with* disastrous results for the fabric of the old buildings.

Like the Germans, though for very different reasons, the gypsies in Czechoslovakia were despised.

Communist ideology in the Prague of the 1940s and 1950s, intent on levelling society and eradicating *all* traces of the bourgeoisie, delighted in the degradation which was visited on *what had once been the* most elegant and fashionable parts of the country. Although great efforts have been made *to repair some of the damage*, large parts of Bohemia and Moravia possess villages which still resemble ghost towns.

In Zmojmo, in Moravia, for instance, not a light burns at night in any of the baroque houses in the *main square. It* is as if the Sudeten Germans *left only a few weeks ago.* Facades are crumbling and the plasterwork remains unrestored. Shops long shut up show no sign of opening again.

Only in the three northern spa towns of Marienbad, Carlsbad and Franzensbad (*now called* Marianske Lazne, Karlovy Vary and FrantiskovyLazne) has some of the old prosperity been preserved, thanks ironically to German tourism.

Fifty years ago, *The Times* in an ill-timed leader argued in favour of "making Czechoslovakia a more homogenous state" by *the "cessation of that* fringe of alien population" who were the Sudeten Germans. Sadly, like *The Times*, the Czechoslovak Government, after the war, *saw the* Sudeten Germans as nothing *more than* an "alien fringe" rather than potentially patriotic Czechoslovaks.

By expelling them, the country indeed became a "more homogenous state", but the *price was extremely* high and is still being paid.

Corruption and disobedience 'behind economic chaos'

From Our Own Correspondent, Peking

The Chinese Communist Party is convinced that economic chaos is the direct result of disobedience, mismanagement and profit-seeking at every level of the party hierarchy, the *People's Daily said in a front-page editorial* on Wednesday.

In the face of economic woes which threaten a leadership crisis of confidence, the newspaper, the party's official mouthpiece, called for rapid unification and strengthening *of the leadership.*

The message seemed to be that China had been through worse before, but what was critical to success at present was that "the party is unified and acts in a unified way, that the part obeys the whole, and that the entire party obeys the Central Committee".

Discipline was lax and ac*tion was not taken in a unified* way, the editorial said, referring to rampant corruption, patchy *implementation* of regulations and financial chaos. Its implication seemed to be that if all this was going on unchecked, it was no wonder that the reforms were in trouble.

With the new phenomenon *of wealth appearing, party* organizations at every level must not forget the good of the whole, said the paper, quoting Marx and Engels on the proper role of party members.

With economic liberalization, many Party members *have been finding highly eff*ective ways to consolidate both their power and their bank accounts.

The editorial accused party organizations from the bottom up of being involved in in-fighting and business. When told that it was forbidden for party organs to be involved in money-making activities, they simply would not listen.

Similarly, when told to reduce capital construction projects, they just carried on. Such tendencies had reached an "unbearable" point.

Party *branches and organs* must not see themselves as isolated entities and must not act unilaterally, but must obey the orders of the Central *Committee: the most* elementary principle of party organization should be that *the individual obeyed the* organization, the minority obeyed the majority, the lower level obeyed the upper level, and that the entire party, at every level, obeyed the Central Committee.

The paper also made passing mention of the usefulness of the State Council, the top government body under Mr Li Peng, the Premier.

Such strengthening of the party and tightening up of discipline did not in any way contradict the *process of eco*nomic reform or democratization, the editorial said.

The editorial appeared as the Central Committee began its third day of talks on how to save reforms from collapse in the face of an economic crisis.

The Communist Party is fighting to maintain popular support in the cities, which are worst hit by the effects of the overheated economy, and to quell rumours at home and abroad of disagreement in the leadership.

So far, no word of the Central Committee discussions has come out of the Great *Hall* of the People, except for a brief announcement on the first day that Mr Zhao Ziyang, the General Secretary, had dealt with three big issues in his report: rectifying the economy, promoting reform under unified leader*ship and strengthening the* party leadership.

The editorial was clearly a *reflection of the main contents* of his report, and therefore the first indication of the focus of policy being formulated to salvage the reform programme from possible stagnation.

Mr Li: Premier and leader of the State Council.

Mafia 'soldiers' battle to control Sicily

From Roger Boyes
Rome

The Mafia families that control western Sicily, and a big slice of the world's heroin trade, are engaged in a fierce war that has claimed 14 victims this week alone.

"In a few weeks you will be picking up corpses from every street corner in Palermo," was the warning given recently by Totuccio Contorno, a *repentant mafioso* who is collaborating with the United States Drug Enforcement Agency.

Contorno knows what he is talking about – on Tuesday his brother-in-law was shot *down in the Sicilian township* of Casteldaccia. He had a Magnum .357 with him but did not have time to draw. *A day later the head of a Mafia* family, Giovanni Bontade, aged 42, was killed with his wife *Francesca* in their fine Palermo villa.

Mafia genealogy has always been complex, *but never more so than now.*

First, the trial and conviction of more than 300 *mafiosi* last December created succession struggles within the main criminal families. Released *mafiosi* jostled with younger men who had been running the heroin business in their absence.

Second, the New York-Palermo connection has been crumbling. There is mistrust on both sides of the Atlantic, aggravated by an increasing struggle with Chinese-groups for control of heroin distribution in the United States.

Finally, the *relative* importance of the Sicilian Mafia families has been shifting. The Greco clan is sliding, while the Corleonesi families, associated with the town of Corleone in western Sicily, are on the ascendant. That has encouraged defections from the losing to the winning sides and, in *turn, vendetta killings against* the defectors.

The rising Mafia families of *Corleone used to have Luciano Liggio* as their godfather. But the bespectacled mustachioed Sicilian – an accomplished landscape painter – was jailed for life in December 1987. The families are now being co-ordinated by Toto Riina. *The sophisticated lawyer*, Giovanni Bontade, impressed by Riina's control, has taken his family and "*foot soldiers*" *over to the Cor*leonesi. Last Tuesday he paid the price for this defection.

The losing *side, so far, is* the Greco family. Until his jailing in December, 1987, the family used to be led by Michele Greco, a wiry, venomous man who ostentatiously read the Bible in the Palermo court house last winter. He was found guilty of ordering several murders. The Greco family is *now being run* by Giovanello Greco, who returned to Palermo a year ago.

There are two reasons for the current *haemorrhaging in Sicilian* streets. The first is that the Corleonesi want to cement their advantage and wipe out the opposition. Second, the Greco group is killing off those who have defected *in order to maintain* internal discipline.

***That* is a sign of the times in Sicily. Traditionally *omerta* – the code of silence – prevented *mafiosi* denouncing their chief to the police or to Mafia rivals. But now this sense of "honour" has dissolved and discipline can only be enforced *with* reprisal killings.**

The new anti-Mafia commissioner, Dr Domenico Sica, is to be given enhanced *powers* and will be able to pursue Mafia suspects and connections beyond the shores of Sicily. A law to that effect should be passed *at* the end of next week.

***Dr Sica* will be tempted to let the Mafia fight it out amongst themselves; certainly, at the moment, the Mafia resembles a *dangerous* hydra, not easy to decapitate or control.**

But too many people – such as the judge Antonio Saetta – are *being* caught in the crossfire. The Government, nervous, is ready to give Dr Sica unprecedented authority.

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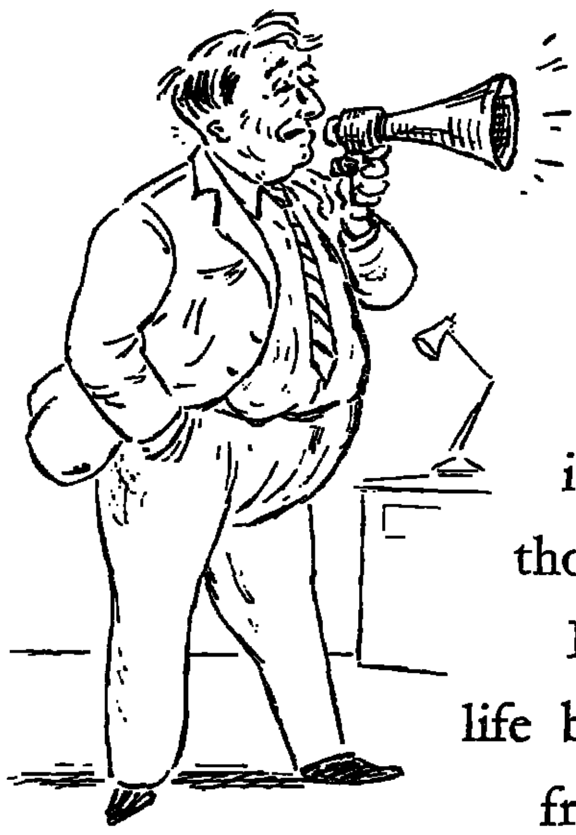

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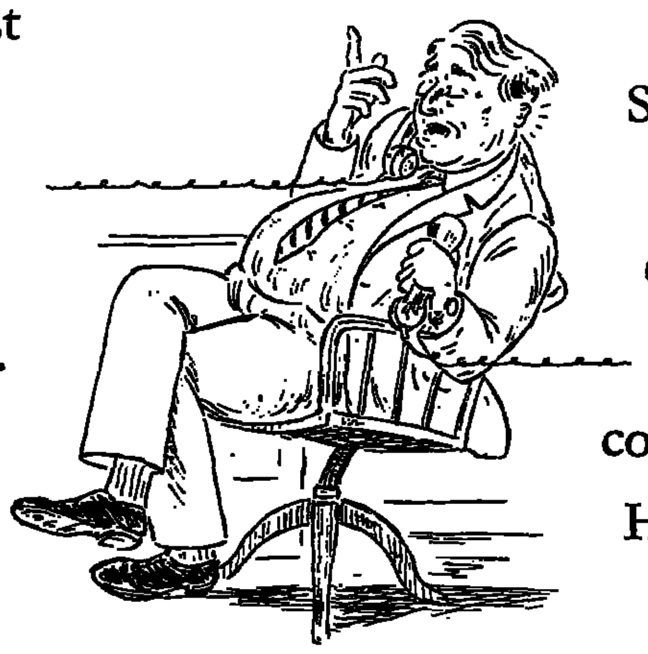

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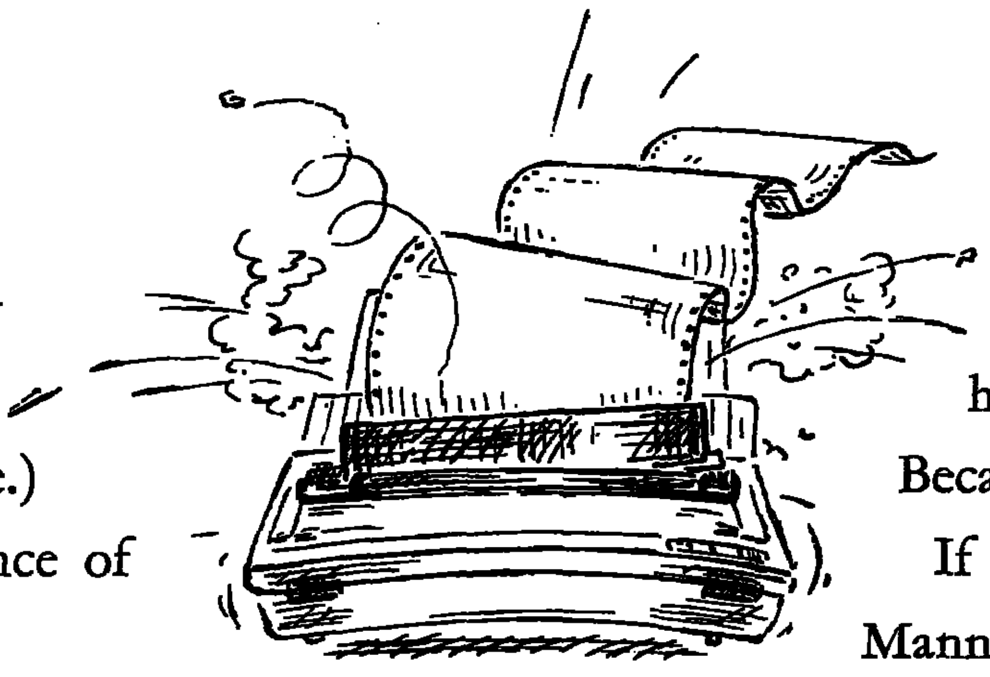

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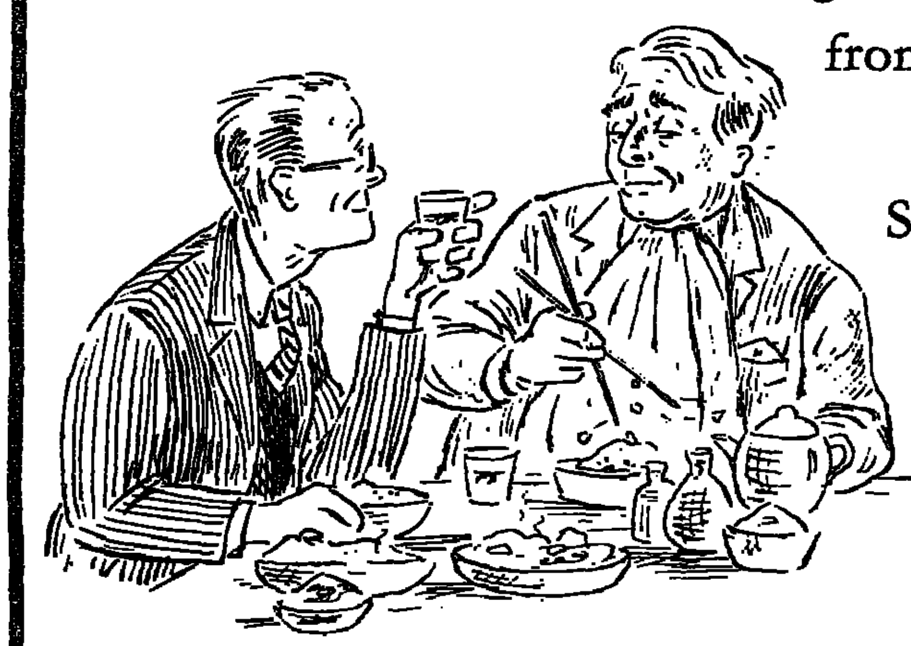

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PAST WORLDS
Part 4

There is nothing new about mass production of food, the theory of the steam engine — or even the astronomical clock. **George Hill** concludes his series with a look at some of the extraordinary early achievements of the first technologists

An archaeologist's perspective on history is very different from that of an historian working from written records. The history of man as an intelligent, tool-making, self-aware being began at least 40 times longer ago than the earliest written chronicles. And while the student of documents is looking at what people said they did, the archaeologist has the evidence of what they actually did.

The techniques of the discipline remain of value in checking out people's words against their deeds right up to the present day (the cliché about the archaeologist being a kind of detective is really back to front: it would be more accurate to say that forensic science is just the hot-news end of archaeology). But it is in earlier eras that they make their most important mark, and in the earliest they are out on their own.

Regular history is apt to concentrate on the battles and stratagems of great leaders. The rich and powerful loom disproportionately large in archaeology, too, because they could afford to build permanent monuments, and to set out into the next world well-equipped with items they had found useful or pleasurable in this one. From the hoards of gold, ebony and faïence buried with Tutankhamun to the enamelled clasps and buckles of the Sutton Hoo burial, archaeology has uncovered works of art of a magnificence and a variety we could scarcely otherwise guess at.

But the story of man's dogged pursuit of control over his environment has just as great a significance, and it is a story that archaeology is especially well-equipped to tell. The implements illustrated in *The Times Atlas of Archaeology* are often of great beauty in themselves, but they are also evidence of a slow advance towards technical mastery.

Chroniclers of ancient victories may not pay much attention to the blacksmiths and farriers who gave the warriors their equipment, but the excavator can uncover the technologies which enabled conquerors to gain the edge over their opponents. Whoever discovered how to smelt ore to extract the metal from it, to spin clay on a wheel to produce rounded pottery, and to tangle threads together in the particular systematic way which produces woven cloth, probably made more difference to the lives of their descendants than any of the autocrats who had stones carved to glorify their exploits.

The atlas gives due attention to the potter's wheel, the kiln, the loom and the crucible, and how and where they originated. Because the technologies of the past by definition appear primitive compared to those of today, it is easy to overlook the insight that must have gone into each stage of their development. When we are inclined to feel awe over the achievements of the past, it is easier to do so in relation to the brute force implied in monuments such as the pyramids or the Colosseum.

But sometimes the scope of our ancestors' ingenuity comes through unmistakably. At a glance, the cascade of water-mills built by the Romans at Barbegal in France in the 4th century AD might be taken for a product of the early Industrial Revolution, to be dated somewhere in the second half of the 18th century. With its masterful repeated application of water power to achieve mass-production of flour (it is calculated that it could have ground corn on a scale that would have supplied 80,000 people), it could scarcely have been built at any date between the fall of Rome and the 1750s.

The Romans were not the only masters of high technology. Four centuries before the Barbegal mill was built, the Greek citadel of Pergamum in Asia Minor drew its water from a reservoir three kilometres away. The usual way of bringing water from a distance was to build an aqueduct, but the mountainous terrain meant that an aqueduct, with a gently-inclined water-channel, would have had to be built taller than the dome of St Paul's if the water was not to run uphill. The citadel is more than 500 ft above the valley, and the reservoir was almost 100 ft higher.

So they made the water run uphill. They ran a 10-inch pottery pipe down one side of the ravine and up the other, and supplied the citadel on the siphon principle. To do so meant not only having a theoretical grasp of the physical principles involved, but also the practical assurance to apply it on a large scale, where any weakness in the pipe or its waterproofing would have led to loss of pressure and failure of the whole system.

The Greeks are also known to have invented the steam engine, and the most remarkable of all technological survivals from the ancient world may have been Greek, too, for it was found in the wreck of a ship that went down in Greek waters nearly a century before the birth of Christ.

The Antikythera calculator, hardly larger than an alarm clock, was so advanced that its purpose was not even recognized for almost 60 years after its discovery in 1900. The reconstruction shows how extraordinarily intricate its system of differential gearing was. Signs of repair in its bronze machinery indicate that it really did work, and had been in regular use. It is a machine for indicating the positions of the planets and the phases of the moon at any given point in time.

The textbooks describe it as a navigational aid, and an ancestor of the astrolabe, though it seems unlikely to have been very useful for navigation in Mediterranean waters, and it appears to be more akin to what is known today as an orrery (but a Ptolemaic one). Archimedes was said to have designed just such an instrument for the use of astronomers about a generation earlier. If this fragment had not survived, we would have no idea that ancient technology could produce so exquisite a mechanism.

More intriguingly, it illustrates the creative imagination working at or beyond the edge of the technical practicality of the day. If the ancients had devised the steam engine in principle, and understood differential gearing and metalwork so well, how did it happen that these things went unexploited — were lost, even — for the next 18 centuries?

The railway and the clockwork timekeeper might seem within their grasp. What would Caligula have done if he had had railways? He might have extended his bloodbaths to China and beyond. Evidence such as the calculator shows that the constraint was not intellectual, but technological. Bronze does not allow the same precision as steel, and is less durable. Steam was only a toy until large-scale coal mining and steel manufacture became possible. But the minds applied to the problems of the day, ready for the moment at which solutions might become feasible, were at least as sharp as ours.

The last page of the atlas deals with steam, coal, Ironbridge and the giant 19th-century leap in man's ability to control the environment. One of the lessons of archaeology is that the powers of invention that exploit the opportunities of a historical moment such as the Industrial Revolution are not a new extension of the human mind, but an application of a potential which had always been there.

When the archaeologists of the remote future dissect the fragments of the last surviving word processor, excavated from the abandoned ruins of London, they will not make the mistake of imagining that we were any more clever than Watt, Arkwright or Newcomen — let alone Archimedes.

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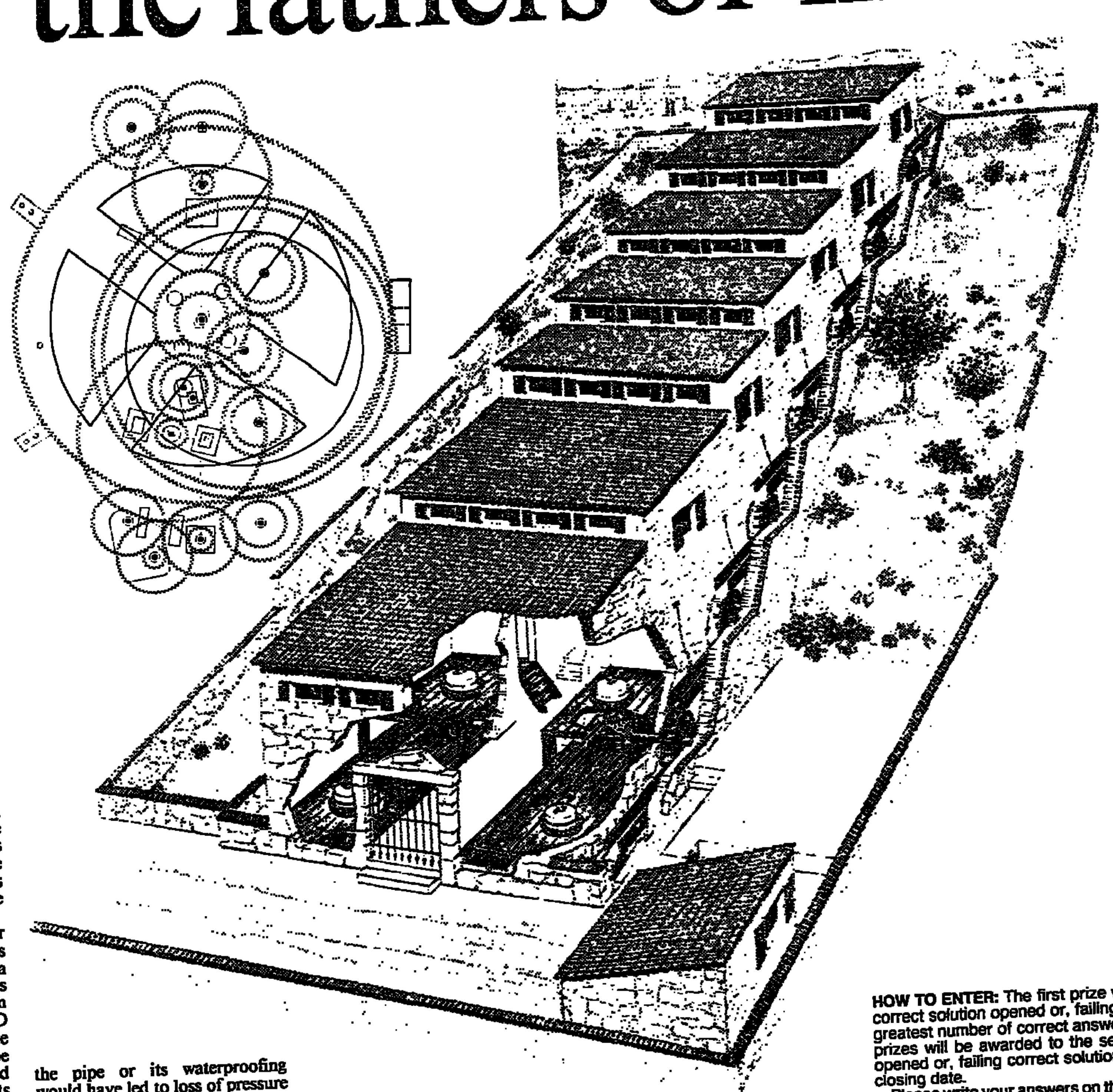

Looking more like a product of the early Industrial Revolution than of Roman times, this integrated cascade of water-mills at Barbegal in southern France was built in the 4th century AD. Eighteen sets of grind-stones were activated by 14 water-wheels exploiting the power of the stream at seven successive levels to mass-produce huge quantities of flour.

Even greater mechanical ingenuity lies behind the instrument shown in the diagrammatic reconstruction. Found in a shipwreck of the 1st century BC, it is a machine for calculating the positions of the planets and the phases of the moon at a given point of time.

QUESTION TIME

To coincide with publication of *Past Worlds, The Times Atlas of Archaeology*, Times Books are inviting readers of *The Times* to enter a competition which has as its first prize a copy of *The Vatican Frescoes of Michelangelo*, a limited edition, priced at £2,500. Twelve runners up will be awarded copies of *Past Worlds*.

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1. Tin is too weak to make useful implements out of. So why was it tin-mining that made stone tools obsolete ?

2. What trick first performed with a hollow reed-stem about 3,000 BC, has been called "the keystone of the modern world"?

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SCIENCE REPORT

Exercising female bones

For elderly but otherwise healthy women, the fragility of their bones is a constant and sometimes life-threatening danger. It is well known that after the menopause a woman's bones begin to deteriorate sharply, losing mass and strength.

Now two researchers from Pennsylvania State University have evidence that the severity of bone loss in later life is mostly determined by skeletal development during a girl's teenage years, and are hoping to come up with recommendations for diet and exercise which will minimize the hazards of old age.

Bones are not stable, but are constantly being broken down and rebuilt throughout a person's life in a continuous cycle of loss and regeneration. In women, the ability of the body to remake sound bones is closely linked to the level of oestrogen, the female sex hormone.

After the menopause the oestrogen level falls, and the body loses much of its ability to counteract gradual bone loss, which continues as before.

Running into trouble? Olympic contender Liz McColgan

This phenomenon, osteoporosis, is signalled by a general deterioration and greater fragility of the bones.

Hard exercise and a low-fat, high-fibre diet both tend to reduce oestrogen levels, and can lead to menstrual irregularity. As an extreme example, some female marathon runners suffer from amenorrhoea. The teenage gymnasts who dominate the Olympics often begin menstruating late, and are irregular once they start.

But marathon runners and teenage gymnasts are hardly a large or representative sample of women. A study conducted by Dr Tom Lloyd and Dr James Buchanan of Pennsylvania State University, published in the *Journal of Obstetrics and Gynaecology*, set out to look for relationships between diet, exercise, oestrogen level (as measured by menstrual regularity) and bone density in young women.

Lloyd and Buchanan compared young women who did not exercise with college athletes who ran, cycled or took aerobic classes regularly. For both athletes and non-athletes in their teens, those who missed one third or more of their periods had measurably lower bone density. In previous research, Lloyd, Buchanan and others found that bone density is highest in women before they reach 20, and begins to fall off afterwards, so girls who are irregular in their teens are more likely to suffer from osteoporosis much later on in life.

Among athletic women, the picture is not yet clear. For those who menstruate regularly, exercise is a benefit, and the athletes had a higher bone density. But a woman who exercises enough to cause menstrual irregularity usually has lower bone density than someone who does not exercise.

The amount of exercise that triggers menstrual irregularity varies enormously. In a group of 10 women who run 20 miles a week, two might become irregular, but another two might be capable of running 100 miles with no problems.

The influence of diet adds further complications. For reasons not understood, dietary fibre tends to reduce the oestrogen level, while fat raises it. A high-fibre, low-fat diet is undoubtedly good for helping to prevent heart disease and breast cancer, but may be bad for one's bones.

Lloyd and Buchanan are continuing their study, hoping to find ways of determining a sensible and healthy combination of diet and exercise. From the results they have now, Lloyd says that swimming looks like a good choice, because it develops bodily strength but, unlike long-distance running, encourages a sensible proportion of body fat, which is good for the oestrogen balance.

Lloyd also emphasizes that woman older than 20 should not be discouraged into thinking the course of their old age is already fixed. Medical research into the causes of osteoporosis is moving fast, and Lloyd and many others hope to find ways of keeping women's bones strong throughout their lives. Meanwhile those who have been enviously watching the child gymnasts in Seoul should probably be grateful they are watching television, not performing on it.

David Lindley

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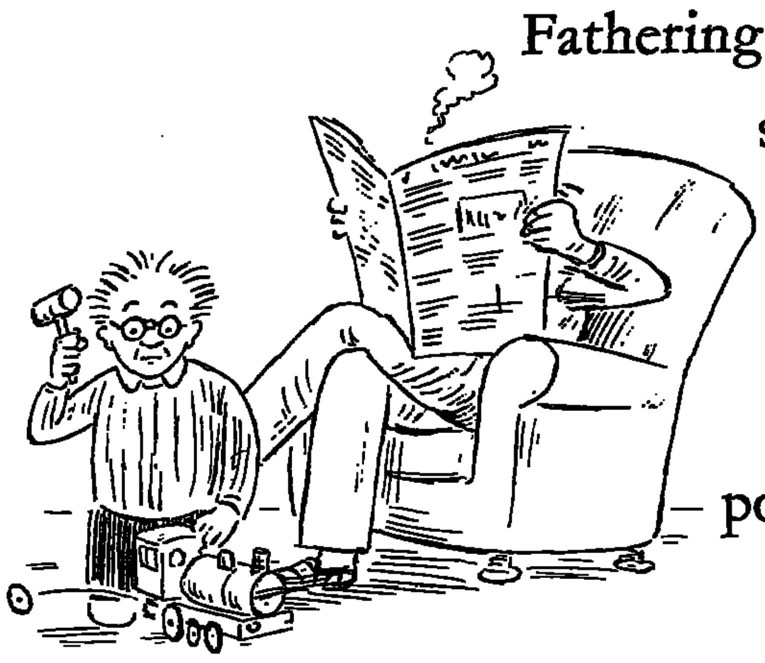

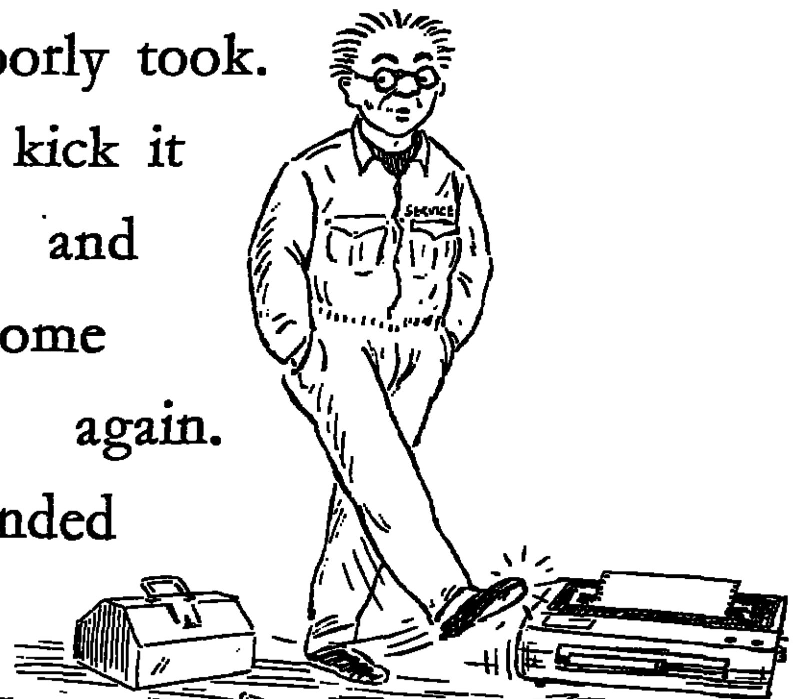

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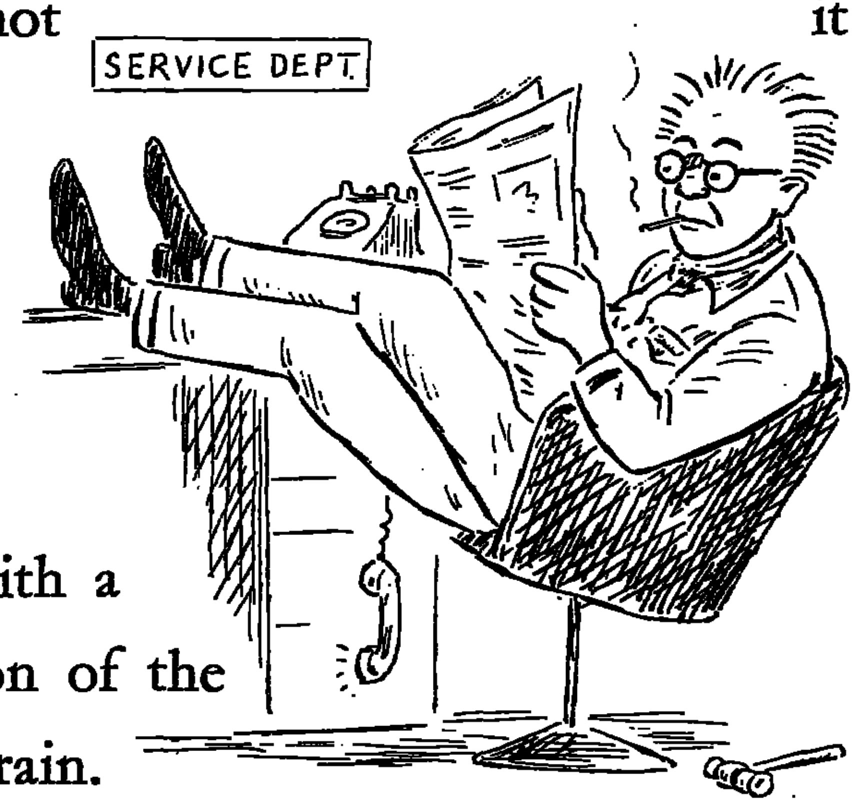
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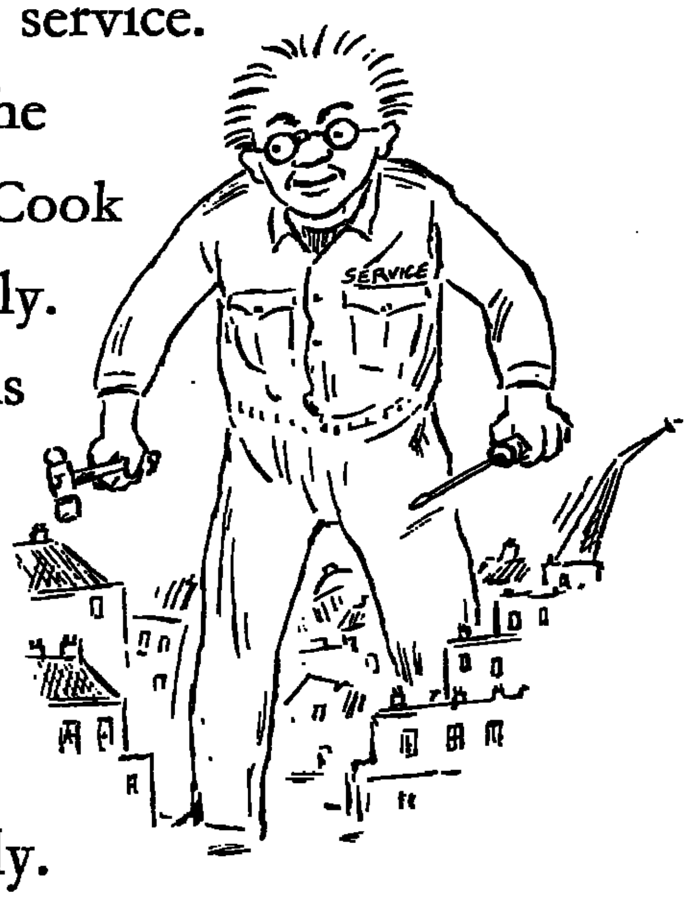

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TIMES DIARY

MARTIN FLETCHER

MPs have for the second year running nominated Michael Heseltine the most impressive backbencher. In a private MORI poll among a representative sample of 100 ministers and MPs, the exiled former Cabinet minister won 19 per cent support overall, with, significantly for someone aspiring to the party leadership, 32 per cent support among Tory MPs. That is the good news for Heseltine. The bad news is that another leadership rival, Norman Tebbit, has swept into second place with 14 per cent support, compared with just 4 per cent last year. The "polecat" has 21 per cent support among Tory MPs and, surprisingly, 2 per cent in Opposition parties.

And the also-rans? The sacked Cabinet minister John Biffen stays in third place, with 13 per cent and cross-party support. The rising star is Tony Banks, the ubiquitous Labour left-winger, whose rating has jumped from 0 to 10 per cent in a year. The fading stars are Tam Dalyell, second last year with 14 per cent but sixth this with 8, and Michael Foot, down from fourth place to seventh-equal, with 7 per cent.

Tony Benn, about to be routed by Neil Kinnock in Labour's leadership election, comes fifth with 9 per cent, though 5 per cent of Tory MPs nominated him. Sharing seventh place with Foot are Edward Heath and Dennis Skinner. Embarrassingly for David Owen, he comes 10th-equal, with all his 4 per cent support coming from Tory MPs. He shares that position with Labour's Dale Campbell-Savours and two Tories who have entered the lists for the first time, new boy John Redwood and the outspoken Scot, Eric Forth, who has just become a minister. Finally, I am happy to report a doubling of Ken Livingstone's support: from 1 to 2 per cent.

Talking of Ken Livingstone, I gather the former GLC leader has finally been offered a desk in the cloisters of the House of Commons, 14 months after winning his Brent East seat in the general election. With his customary flamboyance, Livingstone announced in April that he was boycotting the Commons because, alone among 650 MPs, he was not given a desk or a telephone. He claimed he was being victimized for his views, not least his assertion that Northern MPs spent much of their time in bars and brothels. Opponents are slyly suggesting that his whips have now offered him a desk on condition that he makes no trouble at next week's Labour conference.

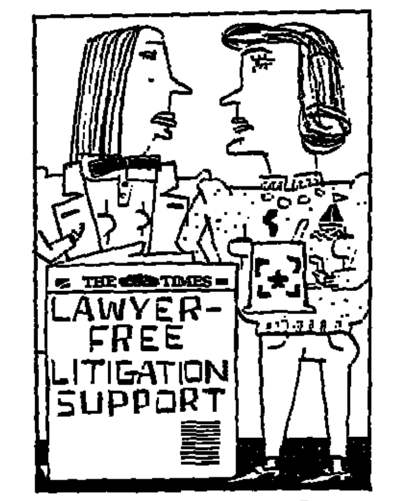
The battle for Labour's leadership is becoming a rout. Wherever they have been consulted, rank and file — as opposed to activist — party members overwhelmingly back the present incumbents. At the latest count, 166 constituency parties which have balloted their members will support Neil Kinnock, against just seven for Tony Benn, while 151 will support the right-wing Roy Hattersley against a paltry 17 for John Prescott and a pathetic six for the hard-left's Eric Heffer.

There are whispered suggestions from the Prescott camp that the leadership is suppressing adverse ballot results, but this does not appear to hold water. Kinnock and Hattersley were endorsed even in the West Bromwich East seat of Prescott's own campaign manager, Peter Snape. His other campaign manager, Dick Caborn, saw the general management committee of his Sheffield Central party back Benn and Heffer.

But the sight that Labour *cognoscenti* will most cherish this Sunday will be the discomfiture of Joan Maynard, "Stalin's Granny". She has been mandated to vote for Kinnock and Hattersley. With her left arm she will have to force her right hand up.

The National Association of Citizens Advice Bureaux has been advertising for a new, £33,000-a-year director. Among the applicants, I am told, is Keith Best, the former Tory MP who had to resign in disgrace last year after he was found to have made multiple applications for British Telecom shares.

BARRY FANTONI



'Neville's totally in favour. He was a keen *Perry Mason* fan for years'

Should Paddy Ashdown relent on his adamantine refusal to contemplate deals with the Labour Party, he will have a private line of communication ready and waiting to those who matter. He has appointed the former Labour MP, Michael Ward, to be his executive officer. Ward's daughter is secretary to Labour's deputy labour, Roy Hattersley.

In the past few days, however, pacts with Labour were the last thing on Ashdown's mind. Almost all his efforts were directed towards perfecting his critically important leader's speech to the Democrats conference in Blackpool yesterday. He spent much of Wednesday in his Imperial Hotel suite going over and over it, perfecting his delivery and gestures, and learning to use an autocue. Yesterday he rose before dawn to go to the empty Winter Gardens conference hall with his exhausted aides for a full dress rehearsal.

One of the more intriguing rumours that has been circulating in Blackpool this week is that Shirley Williams will fight Sir Cyril Smith's Rochdale seat at the next election. It is not completely implausible. She is returning from America next year when her new husband finally retires. She has a tenuous local connection, having briefly been MP for another North-west seat, Crosby. Smith has already announced his retirement, and for someone defeated in three of her last four attempts to return to Parliament, his Liberal stronghold could prove irresistible.

Mary Dejevsky on today's crucial plenum in Moscow

Gorbachov's big gamble

Three hundred members of the Soviet Central Committee summoned urgently to Moscow will today decide the fate of Mikhail Gorbachov's reform programme, possibly of Gorbachov himself.

While Soviet officials have sought to play down the meeting's significance, the tension on the face of Gennady Gerasimov, the usually genial foreign ministry spokesman, as he broke the news said much. For once, the word "crisis" is not out of place. Gerasimov, not one to indulge in hyperbole, spoke of "revolution".

Convening the plenum was clearly a snap decision. A week ago, Gorbachov listed future plenums but not this one. The foreign and defence ministers have both cut short important foreign trips. The Olympic Games, in which the Soviet team has had great success, are reaching their climax. The weekend mood could have been one of relaxed triumph.

It might still be. Gorbachov has shown himself a master of the pre-emptive strike. The urgency of the plenum could be explained by the absence or illness of influential individuals believed to be obstructing reform. If so, it is possible that by this evening the composition of the Communist Party's leading bodies — the Politburo, the Central Committee Secretariat, even the Central Committee — could look quite different.

Key changes would be the removal of Andrei Gromyko, the former foreign minister who now holds the largely honorific position of state president but is also a full member of the Politburo, and Mikhail Solomentsev, who like Gromyko was accused at the party conference in June of being too old and too deeply implicated in the "stagnation" of the Brezhnev years to remain in office.

The other key figure is Yegor Ligachov, regarded as "second secretary" to Gorbachov and out of tune with him on the pace, if not the substance, of reform. He exploited Gorbachov's absence on holiday to attack the introduction of market mechanisms into the economy and the shift he perceived from ideology to self-interest as the chief determinant of foreign policy.

If Gorbachov succeeds in removing, or neutralizing, the most influential impediments to change, he could emerge with the mandate he has long sought for transforming the Soviet state. But the fact that he has had to resort to the stratagem of an extraordinary Central Committee plenum illustrates how little progress towards reform has been made in the past three-and-a-half years, and how signally Gorbachov has failed to carry his own officials with him.

It may be that his patience has finally snapped, or that he now senses growing popular support for faster and more far-reaching change than the Communist Party apparatus will permit. Might he use the meeting to issue a dramatic challenge to the Central Committee to support him or remove him?

Such high-risk tactics are not alien to Gorbachov. The special party conference last June at which friends and enemies of *perestroika* clashed in televised debate was widely interpreted as an attempt by Gorbachov to demonstrate the necessity of change and the support for it among rank and file Communists. Some saw it as an attempt to bypass the Central Committee altogether.

The achievements of the conference were formidable. It approved a scheme to restructure Communist Party power. It accepted proposals to cut the party bureaucracy and remove it from economic decision-making, to give greater authority to government bodies, and to introduce a new electoral system (with a secret ballot and a choice of candidates) to a new Congress of People's Deputies, presided over by a powerful president.

Unfortunately for Gorbachov, those decisions have remained on paper. What the special conference was unable to do — partly because many of the most enthusiastic reformers failed to be selected as delegates, and partly because of disagreement about the powers of such a conference — was to make the constitutional and personnel changes that would assist their implementation. Even an uncompromising speech by Gorbachov at the ensuing Central Committee plenum failed to set the changes in train.

Today's plenum may see a last-ditch attempt by Gorbachov to end a political stalemate which has lasted since he announced the second, practical, stage of *perestroika* a year ago. But this is a dangerous game.

When Gorbachov took power in March 1985, on what is believed to have been a close vote in the Politburo, he united many disparate interests. He offered energy and hope to a country which had had three ailing leaders in as many years. He cultivated the new professional groups and intellectuals who had seen their freedom curtailed by Brezhnev, and he drew them — through the policy of *glasnost* — into his reform effort.

He offered material incentives to those of an entrepreneurial disposition by supporting wider pay differentials in state enterprises, the establishment of co-operative shops and services and the leasing of agricultural land. His position was strengthened by the generally depressed public mood and the feeling that things could get no worse.

Now, for many people, they have. If to faltering food supplies and poor housing are added redundancy or compulsory redeployment, higher prices and fewer wage bonuses, there could be a further deterioration. Already public order appears to be threatened not only in the Baltic States and the Trans-Caucasus, where there is ethnic unrest, but in other places where the authorities have been unable to halt strikes and demonstrations.

Gorbachov's majority in the Politburo, slender when he took over, looks scarcely more secure today. Full-blooded reformers, like Shevardnadze and the propaganda secretary, Aleksandr Yakovlev, sit at the same table not only with Ligachov, but with Gromyko, Solomentsev, Viktor Chebrikov (head of the KGB), and Lev Zaykov (Moscow first secretary), whose support is questionable. If public order appears threatened, the flight from *perestroika* to the law and order ticket could be immediate. In that case, Gorbachov's own future would be in doubt.

Dennis Kavanagh

The leader who lost his way

Next week's Labour Party conference marks the completion of Neil Kinnock's fifth year as party leader. It is easy to overlook that Kinnock is already a veteran leader of the Opposition. In little more than two years he will have been the longest-serving continuous leader of the Opposition this century. Wilson, Heath and Thatcher had all moved to Downing Street in less than five years as Opposition leaders, and by 1950 Winston Churchill could see that victory was in his grasp.

Labour has had some bad spells since 1983, but the rows over Militant, the miners' year-long strike, the "loony left" local authorities, the disastrous Greenwich by-election in 1987, then James Callaghan's renunciation of Labour's defence policy, said more about the party's shortcomings in general than about Kinnock. His ebullient performance in the 1987 election helped to restore his standing.

Where he was once seen as part of the solution to Labour's problems, he is now part of them. His limitations have become more apparent. Regardless of Sunday's decisive leadership vote for him, there is little positive enthusiasm for him these days. Although he has been unlucky to lead a party in decline, and confront the most dominant prime minister in the post-war period, some colleagues increasingly feel that he has had long enough to establish his leadership credentials.

Last year's general election showed that unity and presentation are no longer enough for Labour. In some respects that result may have been worse than the reverses of 1979 and 1983. Both Bryan Gould and Robin Cook have openly expressed doubts about whether Labour can win an outright majority at the next election.

The old adage is that oppositions do not win elections but governments lose them. Yet an opposition may conduct itself to convince voters of its merits as an alternative government. Labour's image is as bad as it was a decade ago. It is still widely suspected of being in hock to the unions, incompetent in managing the economy, unsafe on defence, and divided. Tony Benn draws blood when he says that it is no longer clear for what the Labour Party stands today.

Leadership in opposition has always been a thankless task. Few have done well in the position. Only in his last year did Hugh Gaitskell emerge as an authoritative Labour leader. There were many complaints about the ineffectiveness of Edward Heath, of Harold Wilson after 1970, of Michael Foot and, although one forgets it now, of Mrs Thatcher, even Churchill.

One central Labour figure argues that the requirements of leading Labour in opposition now disqualify one from becoming a national leader. Wilson (post-1970), Callaghan and Foot were all diminished by trying to appease the diverse elements in the Labour coalition.

The last opposition leader to make a positive impression with the public was Harold Wilson in 1963 and 1964. His series of speeches about science, planning and economic growth convinced many voters that Labour was the party to modernize Britain. By 1979 Mrs Thatcher had to some extent identified her party as the one to tackle union power and lack of discipline in society.

Of course, both Wilson and Mrs Thatcher were helped by the widespread sense that the government of the day was dying on its feet. Mrs Thatcher has presented no such comfort for Labour. But Kinnock has refused to make such a series of speeches, in spite of numerous entreaties to do so. He rose to the top by making spontaneous, witty, leftist speeches before uncritical constituency and conference audiences. Although a natural orator, he deeply dislikes preparing and making formal speeches.

Labour's disadvantages from demographic changes are well known. The old supports of manual workers, unions, council housing, public-sector employment and party loyalty are declining. By the next election it will have been more than 20 years since Labour last gained 40 per cent of the vote. About a quarter of the electorate will have known only a Conservative government.

How might Labour find its way back? The policy review is a possible lever of change, but it risks causing great disappointment if it does not produce important changes. As Kinnock appears to have ruled out any switch of policy on defence, this seems likely. In July 1987 he said that there was nothing wrong with the manifesto on which the party had just lost the election. It is difficult to see Labour MPs and activists defending lower taxes over higher benefits, and supporting consumers over producers, profitable firms over nationalized industries.

In spite of the promises of Kinnock and Roy Hattersley not to be sidetracked by the deputy leadership campaign, this is exactly what has happened. The policy review — as well as Kinnock's leadership — has been the great casualty of the contest. The modernization of the party needs to be sold to the public and related to a vision of the kind of society a Labour government wishes to create. Only Kinnock can do that, and to date he has not done so. Other spokesmen have kept their heads down, fearing that interventions would be seen by many activists and commentators as contributions to the leadership campaign.

Critics are wrong to say that Kinnock is the prisoner of his colleagues or his entourage. His rise has been meteoric — elected to a safe Labour seat at the age of 28, and to leadership of the party at 41. He controls the national executive, gets his own way in the Shadow Cabinet, and ran his own election campaign.

He is a loner ("a gregarious loner", says a colleague), and many in the Shadow Cabinet feel excluded from his thinking. Both Gould and Hattersley know that he goes his own way, even to the point of rewriting their policy papers. His appeal to the TUC conference not to boycott the ET training programme mystified executive committee colleagues who recalled his silence when the issue of whether local authorities should boycott the programme was discussed in the summer.

He gains marks for courage but not for his tactics. In spite of much advice that he should not visit President Reagan last year, Kinnock went to sell his non-nuclear defence policy. The visit was a flop.

The Labour Party today is not neatly divided into revisionists, who know that Labour must change its policies if it is to have a chance of winning, and traditionalists, who believe that in time the voters will turn again to Labour. Many are too mixed to be sorted into one or other group. Kinnock himself reflects the party's ambivalence about change — positive about unity, self-discipline and professional communications, but hesitant, even unhappy, about the necessary policy changes.

Kinnock divides the party into those who want to win and those who enjoy the luxury of opposition and gesture politics. But the criticisms from the soft-left over his shifts of policy arouse his emotions and his political past. He is an old-fashioned Labourist, a reluctant modernizer. He may not be the man for the job.

After 1981 the rise of the Alliance and its attraction for the Liberal-minded middle class blocked Labour's chance of regaining office. Three-party politics worked to Mrs Thatcher's advantage and encouraged talk about a realignment of the centre-left. The recent eclipse of the old Alliance parties reduces that uncertainty and provides Labour with its best opportunity to break through. It is, however, no longer sufficient for Kinnock to speak authoritatively to and for his party. He has to extend his appeal beyond Labour's shrinking constituency.

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Commentary • ROBERT KILROY-SILK

Rule of Ron's gang of 64

Sixty-four men and women will meet in the Imperial Hotel, Blackpool, on Sunday morning to choose the next deputy leader of the Labour Party. Their decision will effectively determine whether Roy Hattersley is saved for yet another year of compromising bluster or John Prescott is given his head in his attempt to recreate a mass party.

The people endowed with this formidable political power are the members of the Transport and General Workers' Union's delegation to the Labour conference. It is they who will decide how the union's 1,250,000 votes, purchased at a cost of £999,000 16p in affiliation fees, are to be cast.

Nor does their writ stop there. The anonymous 64 will spend the rest of the week determining on which side of every issue the massive bloc vote is to be placed. But now their collective power will be even more awesome and decisive. While the union's votes represent a significant 8 per cent of the electoral college vote, it actually counts for nearly a quarter of the conference vote.

By any standards that is a lot of votes and power to entrust to 64 men and women. It is true, of course, that on many issues the delegates will do no more than endorse what is already settled and established union policy. They will vote in a manner that is required and expected of them. On other matters, like that of the leadership and deputy-leadership contest, they will have a discretion. The 64 will decide. And what they agree, conference accepts, not always, but usually. That is the reality of the Labour Party conference. It is not often that the T&G's 64 fail to lead and dominate the other 1,195 delegates. They are used to having their way.

This is not merely because they start with a numerical advantage. That helps, naturally. It is hard to win without their support and they are difficult to beat. Equally important is that the possession of such a big percentage of these votes places the T&G in a powerful bargaining position with all the other affiliates. It can decide which policies are to succeed and who gets elected to the national executive. It can and does exact a high price for its support. It means that the famous 64 actually wield an influence well beyond that of their votes. At the very least others conform to what the T&G wants because they never know when they may need its decisive support.

This explains why the union is courted so assiduously by the leadership of the party, and other unions and organizations, during the conference week and before. It is why every lobbyist and aspiring member of the national executive will want to stand a round or more of drinks for Ron and Bill and Eddie and Harry.

The T&G is a power in the land all right — and make no mistake, it still is — but it controls the Labour Party. Or rather the 64 do. They clearly have a grave responsibility. What they decide next week will affect the standing and popularity of the Labour Party. They can see to it that it has sensible leaders with moderate policies or they can make it permanently unelectable.

Who then are these people? What paragons of political virtue and wisdom could have been touched with such power? Four of them, Ron Todd, the general secretary, Bill Morris, the deputy, Eddie Haig, the assistant general secretary and Harry Timpson, financial secretary, represent the executive officers. A further six are elected by the 39-strong hard-left-dominated executive of the union and include the chairman and vice-chairman. Four are national officers, with Margaret Prosser, the women's officer, and Regan Scott, the research officer, being selected automatically. Two more delegates are chosen from among the union's regional officers, five are chosen by the 12 national trade groups, 11 seats are reserved for women from the national and regional women's committee, 26 are elected by the regional committees, three are sent by the T&G parliamentary group, and last, but by no means least, Vera Willis represents central office staff.

They are a motley crew. All of them are required to be members of the Labour Party — unlike the executive committee, which will have selected six of them — though the hard-left chairman, Dan Duffy, is quoted as saying he is an "on-off" party member. Their views stretch from the far right to the extreme left — with more than one Militant sympathizer among them. No doubt they are all decent and reasonable men and women. But they haven't all been elected for this task after a secret and strongly contested ballot in which their views were tested and legitimized.

Some are members of the delegation because of a deal made years ago to help smooth amalgamations, like that of the agricultural and textile workers. Others were given their train fare and expenses for Blackpool because it was Buggins's turn and they were Buggins this year. Many of the remainder will have been manoeuvred into place by various political factions — from both right and left.

Perhaps all this is acceptable. Maybe we should be grown up about such things. But whether we should or not we cannot justify the casting by these unelected and unaccountable persons of the equivalent of 20,000-plus votes each all week. Few have ever received as many votes themselves, not when they stood for "election" as delegates or in their union posts. Dan Duffy, the chairman, was elected unopposed. His deputy, Eddie Gillard, got only 8,826 votes when elected to the general council.

Yet these are the people who will help to decide the Labour Party's policy on defence, on public ownership, on industrial relations and a host of other controversial issues. It is bad enough that the constitution of the Labour Party still tolerates the wielding by the T&G of such a large block of votes when it has nowhere near that number of members or even supporters of the party within its ranks. It is indefensible that they should be cast, as one entity, on the say so of the faceless 64.

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Charles Louis Napoleon was imprisoned following this trial for an attempted coup; he escaped in 1846 and returned to France in 1848 when he was elected president. In 1852 he assumed the title of Emperor Napoleon III but the defeat of the French by Prussia in 1871 compelled him to abdicate. He went into exile at Chislehurst, Kent, where he died in 1873.

TRIAL OF PRINCE LOUIS NAPOLEON

Before the meeting of the Court, the eagles, colours, arms, and other emblems of imperialism seized at Boulogne were carried in and laid on a table . . .

At 12 o'clock the 19 accused were brought in. Prince Louis Napoleon came in first. He was dressed in black, and wore on his left breast a silver *crachat*, or distinctive mark of his princely origin . . .

The President called on the Prince to rise, and questioned him respecting his name, etc.

"My names," replied the Prince, "are Charles Louis Napoleon Buonaparte. I am 32 years of age, born in Paris, and a French exiled prince, residing in London . . . "

At a quarter past 3 o'clock, the President having invited Prince Louis to rise, the latter begged leave to offer a few observations . . .

He began by saying that it was for the first time he had occasion to address Frenchmen in France; and although now surrounded with guards, and a prisoner, he found himself with pleasure in that palace of the imperial senate. He would not enter into a justification of his conduct and intentions, although he might do so without pride or weakness, but he could not help observing, that during the last 50 years, since the reign of national sovereignty had been proclaimed, never did it manifest itself in a more solemn manner than in the framing of the Constitution of the Empire. That act of national omnipotence had never since been revoked by France, and all that was done subsequently was consequently illegitimate. "I was born," added the Prince, "of a father who preferred descending from the throne, the moment he perceived that he could not reconcile the interests of his kingdom with those of France. The Emperor, my uncle, resolved on abdicating sooner than consent to the retrenchment of an inch of the empire committed to his defence. Although fallen from the throne, and an exile for 25 years, I ever prided in the glory and felt most anxiously devoted to the interests of France, and when, in 1830, the people resumed its sway, I hoped that it would repair a great injustice, and again sanction the votes of four millions of citizens given to my family. My intention was to abide entirely by the wish of the people, freely expressed in an assembly of the nation. I would have bowed to the principle of sovereignty of the country, and whether it decided in favour of the establishment of a republic, a monarchy, or an empire, it would have found me full of respect for its decrees. My late attempt was culpable only inasmuch as I compromised a number of friends, who followed on blindly, without my explaining to them the motives that prompted me to act as I have done. In every struggle there are always conquerors and vanquished. I am a vanquished enemy, and know before-hand that I have no justice to expect from my conquerors . . . "

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TRIAL IN THE KREMLIN

Mr Mikhail Gorbachov today faces the severest challenge in his three and a half years of leadership. Unlike Nikita Khrushchev, who was ousted by a special Central Committee plenum 24 years ago, the present Soviet leader has issued the challenge himself and chosen his own time. But it is he who will be on trial.

The 300-strong Central Committee is an inflexible instrument of power. Membership brings influence and privilege beyond the imagination of most people in the Soviet Union. Length of tenure, until new regulations are introduced, is unrestricted, and – as Mr Khrushchev found to his cost – members guard their position jealously. Yet if Mr Gorbachov is serious about changing the nature and role of the Communist Party, the Central Committee is where he must start.

During Mr Gorbachov's own tenure in office, the Central Committee has undergone fewer changes than any other official body. In part, this reflects Mr Gorbachov's failure to change the balance of the Politburo decisively in his favour. In part, it reflects resistance in the lower party committees which see their own power and ambitions threatened.

Doubt about the permanence of Mr Gorbachov's reforms still dogs their implementation at every level. The factory manager will not stop paying bribes to valued suppliers while there is a chance of the old system returning. The local prosecutor will not indict party officials for corruption while there is a chance they may wreak their revenge. The would-be leasehold farmer will not apply for his lease, still less plant his crop, if he has no guarantee that he will benefit next year.

Today's Central Committee plenum is Mr Gorbachov's opportunity to end the uncertainty. But because the Central Committee is the one body able to make personnel changes in the leadership, it is also an opportunity for his opponents. The Soviet leader has taken the initiative, but he might yet lose it.

If he does, by the end of today the Soviet Union could have a new leader. Mr Gorbachov will have taken on the Central Committee and lost. The cost of *perestroika*, in terms of austerity measures at home, loss of prestige abroad and changed social and political priorities will have been deemed too high.

The task of modernizing the Soviet Union will be left for another leader more attuned to the sensitivities of the party apparatus and less impatient with the lack of aspiration the Soviet system has bred. The Soviet Union will then be destined for a future as an unwieldy militarized state hamstrung by ideology.

In time, the Soviet Union could be compelled to adopt a different – and expensive – pattern of reform in which the provision of material incentives for economic endeavour preceded political change. But China's incentive-led economic reform, funded largely by Japan and supported by the entrepreneurial instincts of the Chinese, provides an unsatisfactory model. In China it has brought double-figure inflation and social tensions to match. In the Soviet Union, which lacks China's entrepreneurial tradition and a source of funds from abroad, such a reform might not get off the ground.

If neither personnel changes nor new policies emerge from today's plenum, Mr Gorbachov's gambit will have failed just as surely as if he had left office, but less spectacularly. In that case, he would remain leader of a recalcitrant apparatus still without the authority to pioneer change. Such an outcome would only postpone the day when bureaucratic resistance or popular unrest brought his downfall or another Central Committee showdown.

Success, which is surely the objective of today's plenum, would mean that doubters or opponents of *perestroika* were removed or outnumbered. In that case, the political reforms approved by the party conference last June could proceed. The Central Committee bureaucracy could be pruned; thousands of officials would be transferred out of Moscow, and the nature of the party's influence could start to change as co-operatives, leaseholds and limited private enterprise were given the full support of the central leadership.

This outcome would be nothing less than revolution from above – an overriding of constitutional provisions which raises as many questions as it answers. But the chief doubt would be whether the mass of the people would rise to the challenge. Popular reaction to Mr Gorbachov's proposals so far suggests that genuine support will depend on tangible improvements in Soviet life, and these would still be a very long time coming.

THE PIPER REPORT

The interim technical report on the Piper Alpha disaster by Mr Jim Petrie, the Department of Energy's director of safety is an alarming document. It has raised six areas of general safety concern that all oil companies will need to check and act on. Its findings suggest that a thorough overhaul of North Sea safety regulations and standards will be required as soon as possible. Public regulation of North Sea platforms and drilling may also itself need reform.

It is hard for any outsider to make the leap of imagination from Mr Petrie's cool and thorough analysis to the reality of people's lives and catastrophic deaths on the Piper Alpha platform. That will only emerge when Lord Cullen's public inquiry gets under way.

It is clear, however, that operational safety standards had slipped at a human level, that safety equipment was inadequate to meet emergencies and that the design of the platform was fatally flawed in more than one aspect. The picture that emerges from Mr Petrie's necessarily dry description is not of a slap-happy operation that disregarded safety or deliberately cut corners. Far from it. The disaster stemmed from an accumulation of more subtle faults.

It is in that sense more worrying. While Piper Alpha may have been an old and modified production platform, there is little reason to suppose that Piper and its operator Occidental Petroleum were markedly better or worse than average.

Month by month and year by year routine and operating pressures allowed different departments and shifts to lose the tight coordination that is essential to safety. As one maintenance operation overlapped with others, supervisors lost touch with the exact state of different equipment and, therefore, of the dangers of the actions they were taking. Inflatable boats failed. Safety equipment diverted for one purpose became useless for another.

Management should have ensured an especially high safety alert because gas was being processed in an unusual and more dangerous way because of maintenance operations. It is a sad commonplace that disastrous accidents are so often needed in dangerous industries to focus attention back on safety priorities.

Notwithstanding the recent accident on the Ocean Odyssey drilling rig, safety organization is certainly given greater management priority in the North Sea as a result of the Piper disaster – just as the worldwide nuclear industry reacted to the Three Mile Island and Chernobyl accidents and North Sea ferry operators to the loss of the Herald of Free Enterprise. Human nature, however, is only one part of the story.

The collapse of Piper Alpha's power supplies, the siting of equipment, inflammable fuel and workers' accommodation all point to design flaws and inadequate safety tolerances. Improving these is more likely to be of general help in the North Sea than the fitting of underwater safety valves to wells and pipelines, as the Department of Energy has promptly insisted. Changes to existing platforms will be costly, but must be made.

Safety is the prime responsibility of operators. But questions must also be asked of the system of official regulation. That is less a matter of whether the Department of Energy is the right body to enforce safety standards as of the resources that are devoted to regulation and whether it is properly co-ordinated.

The National Nuclear Inspectorate has 120 inspectors. The Department of Energy has eight field inspectors responsible for vetting the operation of 125 platforms and 35 drilling rigs and a further 36 inspectors responsible for other North Sea matters such as pipeline regulations and diving.

In part, this is because the NNI vets the design and building of nuclear stations and installations as well as their operations. North Sea regulation, by contrast, follows the model of shipping. Government sets the regulations, but platforms and rigs are certified by Lloyd's Register of Shipping and five similar bodies abroad. The Department of Transport, as shipping regulator, is responsible for lifeboats and firefighting. This system needs looking at to see if it possible, in such an international industry, to have one comprehensive regulator.

It may, however, be the pressure of market forces which does more to improve safety on future North Sea installations. Low oil prices and high labour costs are driving technical advances towards unmanned rigs and completely underwater operations operated by remote control over long distances. An overhaul of regulations should favour such moves in future as well as protecting the men who work on today's platforms.

DISCOVERY IN SPACE

Just as the destruction of the space-shuttle Challenger in early 1986 touched minds and hearts the world over, so the Americans' painstaking efforts before yesterday's successful launch at Cape Canaveral took on heroic proportions. It was an event far bigger than a domestic showpiece. Much American sentiment – and sense of self – was invested in the launch of Discovery.

Challenger's explosion had a special element of tragedy through the presence on board of a schoolteacher, a representative of the consumer and the voter, a genuine passenger in space. That experiment has not been repeated. The new launch has not expunged the whole past. It has, however, confirmed the resilience of the American spirit when confronted by technological and organizational challenge.

The beneficiaries of the launch undoubtedly include President Reagan and through him the Vice-President and presidential contender, Mr Bush. The political system over which they preside has in the past two years managed an exhaustive inquiry into Challenger's explosion and emerged at the other end with dignity. During it the nation's technological capability was worried over and the competence of a major defence contractor challenged. Some of those doubts remain but yesterday's launch into space assuaged the worst.

The most pressing question arising now (assuming the mission is successfully completed) is about the National Aeronautic and Space Administration itself. Nasa has suffered from a problem of identity and consequential financial shortages since the end of the American manned missions to the moon. It has still to make the switch from being an agency of government entirely dependent on funds from Congress to a mixed corporation profiting from the carriage of commercial payloads.

Whether the shuttle was originally the best launch vehicle to adopt is still a question unanswered. Nasa's profile in the era of the Strategic Defence Initiative is uneven, and whoever is elected in November will surely have to examine all the options for America's future in space. But those questions can wait. Yesterday's launch was a happy event.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Working with Dr David Owen

From Sir Leslie Murphy

Sir, I am very sad that Roy Jenkins (report, September 28) should have joined the SLD campaign to discredit David Owen in so personal a way. The decision to remain with the SDP was taken by me and by many others on grounds of principle and not on personalities. I have found no difficulty in working with David Owen and no one could describe me as an acolyte.

Since Roy Jenkins has raised the issue of the change of leadership of the SDP in 1983, I think it is important that the facts should be known. Although he could rise to the big occasion from time to time he was not a success as leader of the SDP and it is well known that during the general election of 1983 David Steel tried to have him removed as prime minister-designate at the infamous Ettrick Bridge meeting.

After the election there was an overwhelming desire amongst the senior members of the SDP that he should go and I spent two hours in Robert Maclellan's room discussing with him how this could best be brought about. We had in mind that he might be given a leading position in connection with electoral reform in order to sweeten the pill.

Fortunately, while we were still discussing these tactics, we heard, with considerable relief, that he had resigned. He should not imagine, however, that the option to continue was a real possibility.

Yours sincerely,
LESLIE MURPHY (SDP trustee),
Hedgerley,
Barton Common Road,
Barton-on-Sea, Hampshire.
September 28.

From Mrs Kate Jackson

Sir, I am neither a member of the SDP nor the Democrats, but I find it difficult to reconcile Paddy Ashdown's statement that David Owen is irrelevant with the amount of time he and his party spend in belittling him.

Methinks they do protest too much!

Yours faithfully,
KATE JACKSON,
Number One, Duke Street,
Aylesbury, Buckinghamshire.
September 28.

From Mr Gavin Littaur

Sir, I welcome the news that the Social and Liberal Democrats have abbreviated their constitutional title to the Democrats. Will this sensible move now encourage Dr David Owen to recommend that his Social Democratic Party rename themselves the Republicans, thereby further underlining his increasing affinity with the Conservative Party?

Yours faithfully,
GAVIN LITTAUR,
24 Stormont Road,
Highgate, N6.
September 27.

Party's salad days

From Dr M. H. Everdell

Sir, How glad the Democrats must be that our national and international affairs may safely be left in the Prime Minister's hands so that they may spend their time on really important matters.

Yours faithfully,
M. H. EVERDELL,
10 Hazeley Close,
Harborne, Birmingham 17.
September 28.

From the Reverend Raymond G. Morris

Sir, As all who have been calling themselves Social and Liberal Democrats are united in their opposition to the Tories, would it not solve problems if they named themselves Whigs?

Yours,
R. G. MORRIS,
4 Seafield Close,
Barton-on-Sea,
New Milton, Hampshire.

From the Right Reverend Mervyn Stockwood

Sir, As a comparatively well-disposed observer of the new "centre party" in politics, and as one who for fifty years has been obliged to bestow first names on noisy infants, may I suggest a solution for their nomenclature problems – Liberal Social Democratic party, or £. S. D. for short.

At least they would know that even if we did not join them, we should always carry them around in our pockets.

Yours faithfully,
†MERVYN STOCKWOOD,
15 Sydney Buildings,
Bath, Avon.
September 28.

From Mr F. Sloan

Sir, The Democrats should be aware that being Ernest in town but Jack in the country generated considerable confusion for Oscar Wilde's character. In the circumstances the Bunbury Party may be a more suitable name for the SLD to adopt.

Yours faithfully,
F. SLOAN,
5 Weavering Close,
Rochester, Kent.
September 28.

Nominal reproach

From Mr Michael Cousins

Sir, I am confused. A party has one name in Parliament, a different one in the press, and at election time its parliamentary candidates plan to stand under a variety of titles, some of which must leave humble voters like myself wondering to which party they actually belong.

It is political folly of the highest order. The Conservative Party has got to come to its senses. The short title "Tory" and the use of different descriptions on ballot papers, such as Conservative and Unionist or, even more confusingly, plain Unionist, will have to go if it is to win more than a handful of seats at the next election.

Yours sincerely,
MICHAEL COUSINS,
Dalmoak Castle, Dumbarton.

Issues for a European 'superstate'

From Mr Amédée Turner, QC, MEP for Suffolk (European Democrat (Conservative))

Sir, The alleged proposal from Brussels for worker directors in Britain is causing fire-eating on left and right. This has arisen because of the proposed European company.

Mrs Thatcher said in Bruges (report, September 21) that Britain would fight attempts to introduce collectivism or corporatism at a European level, though what others do in their own countries is a matter for them.

Since then worker directors have been argued about by politicians on both sides. Before this emotive issue runs wild, can I stress that the proposal is for two-tier boards with worker directors in countries such as Germany, where they have them, and for unitary boards without worker directors where unitary boards are normal, such as in Britain.

This was all fought out in the European Parliament in 1983 in relation to the Fifth Company Law Directive, and the conclusions reached then are being applied to the European company. So in Britain we keep the type of boards we have now and we keep the works councils we have now, which are regarded as the "equivalent" of worker directors on the supervisory board in Germany. No German would contemplate the illogicality of having a worker director on a management board, which is what our "unitary" boards are.

There is, however, one exciting sting in the tail: the European Parliament insisted (against British Labour Party opposition) that election to works councils should be by secret ballot and one man, one vote. This last point ought to lead to some constructive fire-eating on both sides.

Yours faithfully
AMÉDÉE TURNER,
The Barn, Westleton,
Saxmundham, Suffolk.
September 27.

From Mr Donald King

Sir, The most disturbing thing about M Delors, I find, is his apparent political naivety. He seems oblivious to what is happening in the Soviet Union, in Yugoslavia, in India, in many African states, and in other parts of the world where groups of people are revolting against centralised government. In this country, the Scots and Welsh, from time to time, show a degree of resentment towards Westminster.

Does M Delors (report, September 19) really believe that all the diverse peoples of the EEC will quietly settle down to rule by officials in Brussels? If so, he is living in a fool's paradise. M Delors may be a splendid administrator, but there is more to government than administration.

Many years ago, when I was a young Civil Servant, an old Civil Servant said to me:

> The service could run the country for six weeks – then there would not be enough lampposts in Whitehall to hang the Civil Servants from. Politicians may not be the most lovable of God's creatures, but you can't do without them.

I commend this anecdote to M Delors. In my judgement, if the EEC is to survive it must limit its ambitions on the sovereignty of the member states and some means must be found of satisfying the man in the street, wherever he lives in Europe, that the Brussels bureaucracy is politically, and publicly, accountable.

Yours faithfully,
DONALD KING,
Greenways, Cray Road,
Crockenhill, Kent.

From Mr Peter Sandler

Sir, As a former student of the College of Europe I was impressed by Mrs Thatcher's courage in choosing that forum as the place to launch the debate on the future of the Community. Yet I remember the Recteur's words at our own opening ceremony, when he told us to beware politicians who spoke of a realistic approach to Europe. It was only "the statesman" who was able to have a vision of Europe.

In Bruges Mrs Thatcher proved herself to be shortsighted. The college is no longer a hotbed of federalists; it takes a practical and step-by-step approach to strengthening the links between the member states and between ordinary Europeans. If we were left with a vision, it was simply that it is as important to be European as British or Dutch or Spanish. It is a vision that Mrs Thatcher sadly lacks.

Yours sincerely,
PETER SANDLER,
11 Eagle House,
Charles Lane, NW8.
September 24.

Britain's efforts on Hong Kong

From Sir Richard Evans

Sir, As the British Ambassador to China from January, 1984, to April, 1988, who led the British delegation in the talks with China about the future of Hong Kong from January, 1984, to their conclusion in September of that year, I think Bernard Levin's article (September 26) was partial, in both senses of that word.

If, as Mr Levin alleges, the British Government is doing everything it can to ensure that Britain forgets Hong Kong, why should it have instituted the practice of submitting an annual report to Parliament about developments in Hong Kong? Why else should it have promoted or accepted so many debates about Hong Kong in Parliament during the past few years? Why should it have done nothing to stop Lord Young and Sir David Wilson, the Governor, from speaking at next month's annual dinner in London of the Hong Kong Trade Development Council?

If "our Foreign Office" was eager "to get shot of the crown colony and all the people in it" it must also suffer from extreme perversity. Why else should it have sent our negotiators of the text of the Joint Declaration instructions which it took them more than 300 hours of hard grafting to turn into agreed language? Why else should Sir Geoffrey Howe have visited China in April and July/August, 1984, to spend several days on each occasion in discussing outstanding issues with the Chinese leaders, from Deng Xiaoping downwards?

Mr Levin is less than fair to the "original Joint Declaration". It contained, and still contains, the "ringing words" about the two covenants which he describes. But it contains a lot else, including two lists of the rights and freedoms which the inhabitants of Hong Kong will enjoy from July 1, 1997 (in paragraph 3 (5) and in article XIII of annex I).

It is far from being a sketchy document (the text fills 17 pages of a White Paper). Nor is it a document which lacks status. It was signed by Mrs Thatcher and Premier (as he then was) Zhao Ziyang and subsequently registered at the United Nations as an international agreement by both Britain and China. It declares that the policies it sets out for Hong Kong from July 1, 1997, will be stipulated in a "Basic Law of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region" and that these policies will remain unchanged for 50 years.

What matters most for the people of Hong Kong is the political scene in China. Politically, China turned a most important corner in 1978 (at the third plenary session of the eleventh Central Committee of the Chinese Communist Party). The prosecution of class warfare ceased to be the "key link" or the item at the top of the political agenda. It was replaced by economic development. The identification and pursuit of interest have become much more important in China.

Two of China's principal interests are to recover Taiwan and to develop as rapidly as possible. These both matter a lot for Hong Kong. Den Xiaoping's concept of one country, two systems applies to Taiwan as well as Hong Kong. If its application to Hong Kong were to miscarry, the reunification of Taiwan with the mainland would, to put the matter mildly, have to be seen on the mainland in a longer perspective.

It is natural enough that many people in Hong Kong are nervous about the future. The British flag has flown over Hong Kong island since 1842. When Queen Victoria had only been on the throne for five years China was then ruled by the Daoguang Emperor, who had been born in the eighteenth century. She has changed her nature since. But I do not think that warnings of "impending catastrophe" and "the rain comes in 1997" are warranted by the facts.

Yours faithfully,
RICHARD EVANS,
West Tillingham,
Hartfield, Sussex.
September 27.

A treat in store

From Miss Ann Stein

Sir, I am quite unused to having my awareness of social inequalities rewarded in so concrete and irresistible a way. So it is with a combination of amusement, surprise and pleasure that I accept the most public blind date I have ever been offered (Bernard Levin, September 22).

What a treat I now have in store – a night at the opera, dinner afterwards, and an opportunity to rid myself of the uncomfortable burden of guilt it seems I have unnecessarily been carrying.

Could I ask for anything more?

Yours etc,
ANN STEIN,
112a Albert Street, NW1.
September 27.

Advance warning

From Mr Desmond Lyons

Sir, Are our masters becoming apprehensive about our possible resistance to the poll tax? I have just received my voting-register form and stamped in vivid blue letters across the envelope were the words: "This is NOT a Poll Tax form".

In case we tore it up without opening?

Yours faithfully,
DESMOND LYONS,
The Middle Cottage,
Trelavour Downs,
St Dennis, Cornwall.
September 26.

Youth crisis unit facing closure

From the Director of the Brent Consultation Centre

Sir, The London Borough of Brent has been in the news a great deal recently because of its financial crisis and the inevitable closure or curtailment of essential services. Brent is now in the impossible position of having to decide which services should be maintained and which may have to be closed.

The Brent Consultation Centre, a non-statutory service for adolescents, is on the list for imminent closure or a severe cut in its budget which will drastically affect its ability to carry on its work.

As a walk-in service for adolescents we see very vulnerable young people and we offer professional psychological help which can quite readily make the difference between mental chaos or tragedy and a more organized and productive future life.

We have been supported by the Brent education committee and department for the past 22 years. Our experience with such adolescents has convinced us, and many others who work with adolescents, that the offer of trained professional help during this time of life, especially where youngsters may be seriously psychiatrically disturbed or even suicidal, or where they may be suffering loss of confidence caused by academic failure, can prove the last chance to combat crippling mental or social disorder.

In addition to our primary concern, which is to offer help to such adolescents, we hold national conferences and have organized seminars for teachers, police, social workers, and psychiatrists.

We feel convinced that closure of such a service would be a great loss to adolescents and to the community and would result in many adolescents at risk having nowhere to turn to for the help they urgently need.

Yours sincerely,
M. LAUFER, Director,
Brent Consultation Centre,
Johnston House,
51 Winchester Avenue, NW6.
September 28.

Hirohito attacks

From Mr Toru Nagara

Sir, I'm a Japanese student studying in your country to obtain a place in university. I've read your report (September 23) about *The Sun* and *The Star* writing unacceptable words about our Emperor.

I don't deny what happened 50 years ago and the cause. I wasn't there at that time, but I still feel the responsibility of what we had done. It was caused by the act of greed, not by the Emperor himself but the military government which controlled the country.

Although the Emperor didn't outset it, he suffered concerning his people who fought believing that they were fighting for him; also about the other side, killed because of his people. He is a believer in peace and always will be regarded as the greatest Emperor, after his death.

Yours faithfully,
TORU NAGARA,
Hurtwood House,
Holmwood St Mary,
Dorking, Surrey.

GCSE comparisons

From Mr Gwyn F. Evans

Sir, Having now recovered, like many other fathers, from the late receipt of the GCSE results, I still have a problem.

As a prospective employer I wonder, when evaluating a pass in English, how to compare results between a board whose marks were based on assessment only against one who linked assessment with a written examination?

Yours faithfully,
G. F. EVANS,
73 Crundale Avenue, NW9.
September 22.

Naming of parts

From Mr Cornelius D. Body

Sir, Perhaps a plausible answer to Mr Ticehurst's query (September 14) [on why some parts of the body have become surnames and others not] may be found in *Surnames as a Science*, by Robert Ferguson, MP, published by George Routledge and Sons in 1883.

In chapter 10 ("Names which are not what they seem") Mr Ferguson commented on names apparently from parts of the body. Amongst others, he concluded that Body originated from the "Old Northern" *bodi*, meaning messenger or envoy; Head from the Anglo-Saxon *had*, war; and Legg, Leggy and Legless from the Anglo-Saxon *lag*, law.

Yours faithfully,
C. D. BODY,
24 Kiltipper Drive,
Aylesbury, Tallaght, Dublin 24.
September 20.

From Mr Richard Coleman

Sir, My wife, who works in the X-ray department of our hospital, opened an envelope marked finger, only to find inside the X-ray of a chest.

Somewhat surprised, she made enquiries, but there had been no mixing of parts. The picture belonged to a Mr (or Miss, or Mrs) Finger.

Sincerely yours,
RICHARD COLEMAN,
52 Falstaff Avenue,
Earley, Reading, Berkshire.

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COURT AND SOCIAL

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KENSINGTON PALACE
September 29: The Princess of Wales this morning opened the maternity wing at Westwood Hospital, Beverley, North Humberside.

Subsequently Her Royal Highness, Patron, Birthright, attended a Harvest Lunch at Willerby Manor Hotel, Willerby, Humberside.

Her Royal Highness, attended by Miss Alexandra Loyd and Lieutenant Commander Patrick Jephson, RN, travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight.

The widow of Lord Balfour of Inchrye *wishes in future to be known as Mary Lady Balfour of* Inchrye.

Sir Norman Skelhorn

A service of thanksgiving for the *life of Sir Norman Skelhorn,* KBE, QC, will be held at the *Temple Church,* London, EC4, on Tuesday, October 18, 1988, *at 5pm.*

Birthdays today

*Sir Stanley Bailey, Chief Con*stable, Northumbria, 62; the Rev *Gordon Barritt, former* principal, National Children's Home, 68; Lord Belstead, 56; Mr J.D. Birkin, chief executive, RTZ Corporation, 59; General Sir Edward Burgess, 61; Viscount Cranborne, 42; Professor Sir Eric Denton, marine biologist, 65; Sir Peter Fawcus, colonial officer, 73; Mr Staffan Gadd, banker, 54; Mr A.E.S. Green, painter, 49; Mr A.R. Hacker, clarinettist and conductor, 50; the Right Rev Patrick Harris, Bishop of Southwell, 54; Mr Michael Innes, author, 82; Miss Deborah Kerr, actress, 67; *Professor* F. Llewellyn-Jones, former principal, University *College of Swansea, 81; Sir* Nevill Mott, physicist, 83; Mr *Ian Ogilvy, actor, 45; Mr Mich*ael Powell, film director, 83; Mr Donald Swann, composer, pianist and singer, 65.

Glamis Castle Chapel

Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother unveiled a plaque to *commemorate the tercentenary* of Glamis Castle Chapel at a service of thanksgiving held in the chapel yesterday. Princess Margaret was present.

The Bishop of St Andrews, Dunkeld and Dunblane officiated, assisted by the Roman Catholic Bishop of Dunkeld, the Moderator of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland, Canon W. Milne, the Rev R.G.L. MacAlister and the Rev J.A. Sherrard.

Dinner

Management Consultancies Association
Mr John Bourn, Comptroller and Auditor General, (National Audit Office) was the guest of honour at a dinner held on Wednesday, by the Management Consultancies Association, at the Cavalry and Guards Club. Mr Jim Donaldson, chairman of the association, presided.

Queen's Counsel

Barristers who wish to be considered for appointment as *Queen's Counsel should apply* to the Lord Chancellor's Department, House of Lords, London, SW1A 0PW, (telephone 01-219 4312 or 01-219 5288) for an application form (stating whether they are in *private practice* or are employed). The form should be completed and returned to the same address as soon as possible and, in any event, by Friday, October 28, 1988.

Please note that applications *will not be accepted* after midnight on October 28.

Luncheon

Lord Mayor
The Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress entertained at luncheon at the Mansion House yesterday Mr Alderman Christopher Collett, Lord Mayor-elect, and Mrs Collett, the Court of Aldermen, the Sheriffs, the Chief Commoner, Officers of the Corporation of London and their ladies. The other guests were:

The Master of the Ironmongers' Company, Miss C J Newbury, Mr and Mrs Anthony Webb-Bowen, Miss Alexandra Collett, Mr A J C Collett and Mr A C C Collett.

Service luncheon

Queen's Harbour Master, Portsmouth
Captain R.A. Smith, Queen's *Harbour Master, Portsmouth* and Sub-Commissioner of the *Isle of Wight Pilotage District,* was host yesterday at a luncheon *in HM Naval Base Portsmouth* to mark the termination of the Pilotage District. Among the Sub-Commissioners present were:

Rear-Admiral A S George, Captains J R C Saunders, M J Ridge, D A Clark, J M Donaldson, P N Jeanes, D L'Estrange and P R Carling.

Receptions

HM Government
The Prime Minister attended a reception given by Her Majesty's Government last night at Lancaster House for the Territorial and Volunteer Reserve Forces. The Hon George Younger, Secretary of State for Defence, and Mr R.T.S. Macpherson, Chairman of the National Employer Liaison Committee, were the hosts.

Corps of Queen's Messengers
Major Iain Bamber, Superintendent of the Corps of Queen's Messengers, received the guests at the annual reception held last night at the Foreign and Commonwealth Office. The principal guests were Sir Patrick Wright, Permanent Under-Secretary of State and Head of the Diplomatic Service, and Lady Wright and Sir Mark and Lady Russell.

Anglo-Argentine Society
Mr Guillermo Cabrera Infante was the guest of honour at a reception held last night at the *Royal Society of Arts after he* had delivered the 1988 Jorge *Luis Borges lecture. Sir Peter* Macadam, president, and Mr A.A. Tabbush, vice-president, and Mrs Tabbush received the guests.

Today's royal engagement

Prince Edward will attend a banquet at Earl's Court at 6.30 to mark the twenty-first anniversary of BBC Radio.

Memorial services

Lord Clanmorris
A service of thanksgiving for the life of Lord Clanmorris (John Bingham) was held yesterday at St George's, Hamover Square. The Ven Derek Hayward officiated.

Mr Royd Barker read the lesson, Mrs Peter Johnston read *A Time to Dance* by C. Day Lewis and Miss Sheila Mitchell read from a ninth century lament. Mr Terence Brady, son-in-law, gave an address. Among those present were:

Lord and Lady Clanmorris (son and daughter-in-law), the Hon Mrs Brady (*Charlotte Bingham*) (daughter), the Hon Lucy Bingham, Mr Matthew Brady and Miss Candida Brady (grandchildren), Mrs S Goodwin (sister-in-law), Mr Derek Bingham, Mrs G Zverco, Mr and Mrs John Zverco, Mr and Mrs J R H Veenbass, Mr Peter Veenbass, Mr and Mrs A W Schiff, Mr J Goodwin.

Sir Gordon Reece, Lady Leslie, Mr and Mrs Ian Bannen, Mrs J Barton, Mr J M Patrick, Mr and Mrs E Laird-Clowes, Mr and Mrs Christopher *Ironside, Mr Tim Ambler, Mr H R F* Keating (Detection Club), Mr Julian Symons (Crime Writers' Association) and Mr Raymond White (Earl of Mornington Lodge).

Mr Kenneth Williams
A service of thanksgiving for the *life of Mr Kenneth Williams* was held yesterday at the Actors' Church, St Paul's, Covent Garden. The Rev Michael Hurst-Bannister, Senior Chaplain of the Actors' Church Union, officiated.

Miss Eileen Atkins read from *The Waste Land* by T.S. Eliot and Miss Sheila Hancock read from *The Boy Actor* by Noel Coward. Mr Kenneth Connor, accompanied by Mr Gordon Jackson (piano), sang from Kenneth Williams's songs and Miss Barbara Windsor, accompanied by Mr Richard Holmes (piano), sang *The Boy I Love.* Mr Derek Nimmo, Mr Lance Percival and Mr Ned Sherrin gave addresses. Others present included:

Mrs Louie Williams (mother), Miss Pat Williams (sister), the Hon George Borwick, Lady Freud, Miss Rona Anderson, Mr Michael Whittaker, Mr *Michael Anderson,* Mr Stuart Wood, Mr Martin Tickner, Mrs Kenneth Connor, Mrs Gordon Jackson, Miss Margaret Rawlings, Mrs Derek Nimmo, Miss Elspeth March, Mr Marius Goring, Mr Michael Codron, Mr Peter Jones, Mr Stanley Baxter, Mr Nicholas Parsons, Mr Gerald Thomas, Miss Liz Fraser, Mr Derek Bond, Miss Maggie Smith, Mr Beverley Cross, Mr and Mrs Gyles Brandreth, Miss Betty Baskcomb

Mr Nigel Rees, Mr Jonathan Cecil, Mr Charles Marsden-Smedley, Mr Dennis Main Wilson, Mr and Mrs Barry Took, Mr Derek Tansley, Miss Isabel Dean, Mr J D L Perkins, Mr Paul MacBeth, Mr Charles Russell, Mr Nicholas Courtney, Miss Nancy Seabrook, *Mrs Peter Plouviez,* Miss Diana Lambert, Miss Cara Wilson, Mr Ian McGarry (assistant general secretary, *British Actors' Equity Association*) with Mr Milton Johns (treasurer) and other members of the council, Mr *Norman Mitchell* (General Theatrical Fund), Mr James Pensione (Vic Wells Association) and Mr Cyril W Wilds (Vice-chairman, British Music Hall Society).

Your furniture - how much is it worth?

Tim Sanders, head of Bonhams Furniture Department, offers a free valuation of any item of furniture, *whether you want to sell at auction or not.* Just send him this coupon. He will advise if he needs to inspect your property.

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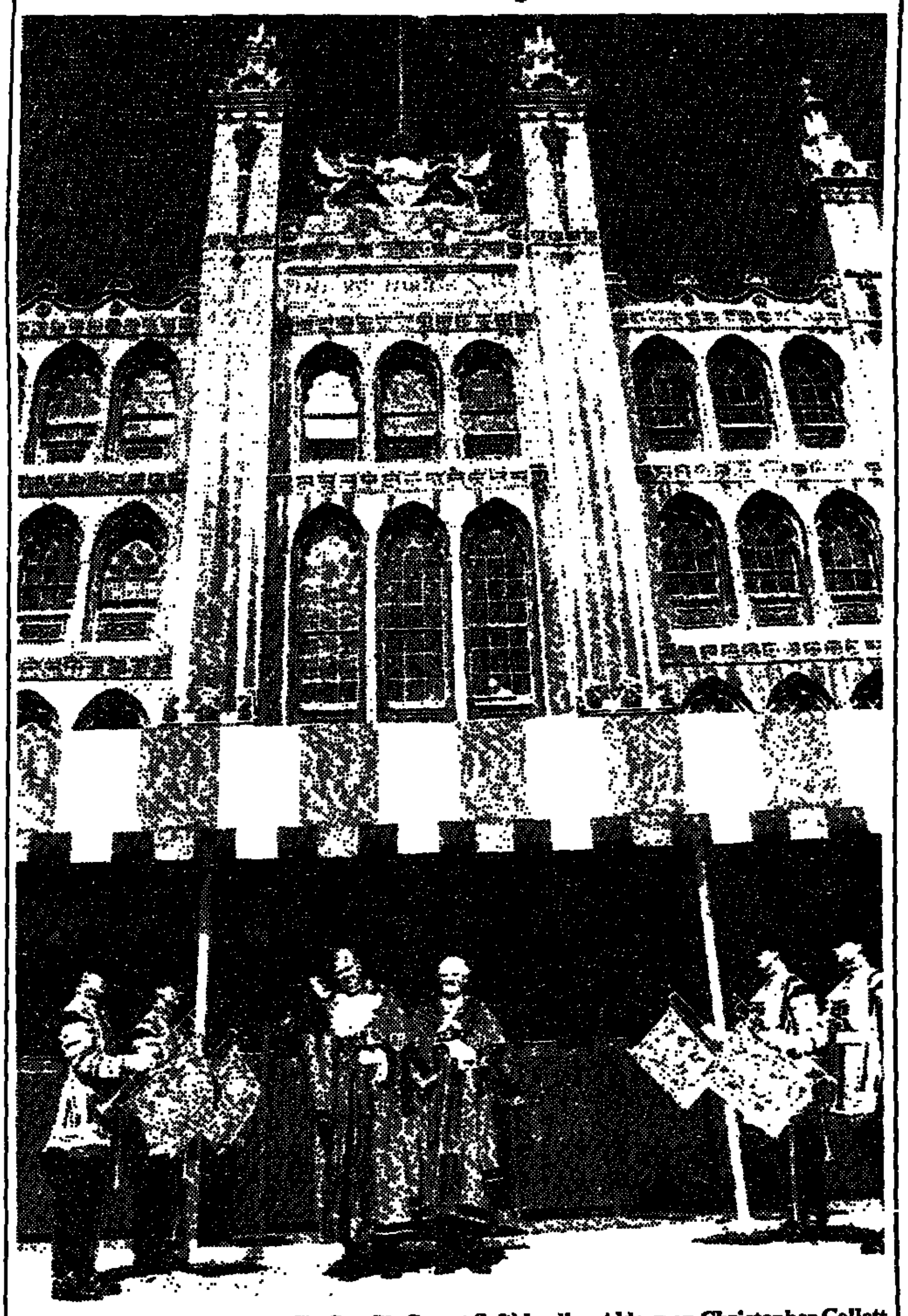

The Lord Mayor of London, **Sir Greville Spratt (left) leading Alderman Christopher Collett out of Guildhall yesterday after Mr Collett had been elected Lord Mayor for the ensuing year. He will be admitted to office on November 13 (Photograph: James Morgan).**

Chance to invest in Peploe at new London art fair

SALEROOM

By Sarah Jane Checkland
Art Market Correspondent

The first 20th Century British Art fair opens in London today, with high hopes on the part of 50 exhibiting dealers that as a nation we have started seriously buying our fellow countrymen's art.

The most expensive offering, at "in excess of £250,000", is a still life painting by S. J. Peploe at the Jonathan Clark stand. A member of the Scottish Colourist *group,* Peploe's *work has* soared in value over the past year, and *Mr Clark paid a record* price for it at auction four months ago.

At the fair are dozens of works by such names as Ben Nicholson, Paul Nash, Stanley Spencer, Ivon Hitchens and Jacob Epstein, as well as living artists John Ward and John Bratby, both Royal Academicians, at lower prices.

At Christie's South Kensington yesterday, a Flemish gilt brass astrolabe fetched £385,000, a world record for a scientific instrument. It was also the most expensive lot ever sold at that branch of the company. Made by Walter Arsenius in 1559, it includes perhaps the first Western map of Japan, a country "discovered" by a Dutch merchant in 1543. The astrolabe was bought anonymously.

Sotheby's also achieved a world record, this time for an Islamic coin, when a standard gold dinar fetched £165,000. The price, on its bottom estimate, was paid by a private Middle Eastern buyer on the *telephone.*

The result of four years' *experimentation on the part of* the Caliph, and first issued in 696 AD, this coin is important because it was the first to drop the Byzantine-influenced motif of an emperor's head in favour of script, and because it established a tradition lasting more than 1,200 years.

Over a third of Christie's nineteenth century decorative arts failed to sell yesterday, although staff said it was a "pretty good" *start to the season.*

Fine sculpture sold best: a pair of French bronze parcel gilt and enamelled busts fetched top price of £187,000 (estimate £80,000 to £120,000), to a Guernsey dealer. Representing an Algerian Jewish girl and an Arab sheik, they were made by Charles-Henri-Joseph Cordier, a Parisian artist famed for his romantic depictions of ethnographic types.

The *piece de resistance,* a *marble statue of a sleeping* shepherd boy by John Gibson, RA, sold for just below its estimate at £52,800, to the London dealer Cyril Humpris. It had been sent for sale by the Duke of Northumberland, whose bust of Lady Anonina le Despenser by John Bacon fared relatively better, selling anonymously at £14,850 (estimate up to £6,000).

The sale totalled £703,300 with 72 per cent sold.

Forthcoming marriages

Dr the Hon P.St J. Trend and Miss S.F. Saunders
The engagement is announced between Patrick, son of the late Lord Trend and of Lady Trend, of Westminster, London, and Susan, daughter of the late Mr R.W. Saunders and of Mrs M. Saunders, of Meanwood, Leeds.

The Hon L.D.J. Henderson and Miss E.E. Webb
The engagement is announced between Launcelot, elder son of Lord and Lady Henderson of *Brompton, London,* and Elaine, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs K.F. Webb, of Dringhouses, York.

Mr A.K. Robson and Miss S.V.R. Nixon
The engagement is announced between Andrew Kenneth, eldest son of Dr and Mrs Angus Robson, of Princes Risborough, Buckinghamshire, and Sally Veronica Rose, youngest daughter of the late Sir Christopher Nixon, Bt, MC, and Joan Lady Nixon, of Wimbledon.

Mr N.J. Palmer and Miss J.C. Arundel
The engagement is announced between Neil, only son of Lieutenant-General Sir Patrick and Lady Palmer, and Judith, daughter of Mrs Rosemary *Arundel and the late Mr Robert* Arundel.

Mr B.J. Aston and Miss J.A. Bye
The engagement is announced between Bradley, son of Mr and Mrs Julian Jones-Aston, and Julie, daughter of Mr G. Bye and the late Mrs M. Bye, of Barking, Essex.

Mr S. Barker and Miss S. Mullan
The engagement is announced between Stephen, son of Mrs A. Barker and the late Mr W.H. Barker, Epsom, Surrey, and Stephanie, daughter of Mrs *Carol Mullan, Dublin,* and Mr A. Mullan, Shrewsbury.

***Mr A. Barrow-Green* and Miss T.D. Scholes**
The engagement is announced between Andrew, only son of the late Commander A.P. Barrow-Green and of Mrs Barrow-Green, of Spaxton, Somerset, and Tessa, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs R.D. Scholes, of Shere, Surrey, formerly of Kenya.

Mr M.E. Bates and Miss F.M. Dolman
The engagement is announced between Malcolm, eldest son of Mr and Mrs Edwin Bates, of *Ashby-de-la-Zouch,* Leicestershire, and Fiona, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs John Dolman, of Chalfont St Giles, *Buckinghamshire.*

Mr P.F. Bosson and Dr A.M. Coggan
The engagement is announced between Paul, eldest son of Mr and Mrs M. Bosson, of Newcastle-under-Lyme, Staffordshire, and Alison, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs G.D. Coggan, of Thorpe Salvin, South Yorkshire.

Mr J.D. Buckeridge and Miss C.M.W. Taylor
The engagement is announced between John David, only son of Mr and Mrs D.D. Buckeridge, of Hatch End, Middlesex, and Carolyn Margaret Wentworth, daughter of Mr P. Taylor, of Grendon Underwood, Buckinghamshire, and Mrs C. Attfield, of Wallington, Surrey.

Mr P.S. Clark and Miss C.T. Smyth
The engagement is announced between Piers, younger son of Dr and Mrs Justin Clark, of Branksome Park, Dorset, and Caroline, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs M.J. Smyth, of Godstone, Surrey.

M M.H. Decaudaveine and Miss S.L. Ilbert
The engagement is announced between Manuel, son of M and Mme Y. Decaudaveine, of Paris, and Sophie, daughter of Dr R. Ilbert, of Liss, Hampshire, and Mrs C. Ilbert, of Win*chester, Hampshire.*

Dr A.D. Lawson and Dr J.R. Cohen
The engagement is announced between Andrew, youngest son of Mr and Mrs G.M.C. Lawson, of Marylebone, London, and Juliet, daughter of Mr and Mrs L.J. Cohen, of East End, Northleigh, Oxfordshire.

Mr S.S. Massoumi and Miss H.J. Levitt
The engagement is announced between Safa, son of Mr and Mrs H. Eftehkharzadeh, of London, and Heidi, daughter of Mr and Mrs J. Macdonald.

Mr N.C.H. Pemberton and Miss M.R.S.P. Westall
The engagement is announced between Nigel, son of Mr and Mrs K.R. Pemberton, of York, and Madeleine, daughter of Mr and Mrs S.F. Westall, of Harlow, Essex.

Mr S.P. Robinson and Miss K.A. Gallacher
The engagement is announced *between Stephen, son of Mr and* Mrs R.C. Robinson, of St *Sampson, Guernsey,* and Kim Alison, daughter of Mr and Mrs *C.E. Gallacher, of Sevenoaks,* Kent.

Mr W.A.B. Russell and *Miss H.A. Chaplin*
The engagement is announced *between William Anthony* Bowater, eldest son of Mr and Mrs J. Watcyn *Lewis and the* late Mr Anthony Russell, and Hilary Ann, only daughter of Mr and Mrs John Chaplin, of *Cambridge.*

Mr R.J. Wingate and Miss S.F. Wilkinson
The engagement is announced between Richard John, son of Mrs J.M. Wingate and the late Mr W.R. Wingate, of Barnes Wood, Welwyn, Hertfordshire, and Sarah Friedl, daughter of Canon A.B. Wilkinson, of Portsmouth, and Mrs E.L. Park, of Upper Poppleton, York.

Marriages

Mr S.M. Summers and Mrs A.T. Peto
*The marriage took place yes*terday at Chelsea Register Office *of Mr Martin Summers,* younger son of the late Sir Spencer Summers and of Lady Summers, of Thenford, Northamptonshire, to Mrs Anne Peto, elder daughter of the late John C. Tysen and of Mrs Tysen, of New York City.

Mr M.R. de Courcy Thompson and Miss K. Hancock
The marriage took place in London on September 14, between Mr Michael de Courcy *Thompson, younger son of Mr* and Mrs Robert de Courcy *Thompson, of Effingham,* Surrey, and Miss Karen Hancock, daughter of Mr and Mrs Alan Hancock, of Hannington, near Basingstoke, Hampshire.

Captain S.N. Turner, RA and Miss A.E. Shaw
The marriage took place on August 20, 1988, at St Mary's Church, Dedham, between Captain Simon Turner, RA, twin son of Major and Mrs A.E.Turner, of Longhope, Gloucestershire, and Miss Ann Shaw, only daughter of the late Dr D.J.S. Shaw and of Mrs Shaw, of Dedham, Essex.

OBITUARY

BRIGADIER MILES SMEETON

Dauntless round-the-world sailor

Brigadier Miles Smeeton, DSO, MC, yachtsman, author and conservationist, died on September 23 at the age of 82.

Born in North Yorkshire on March 5, 1906, Smeeton joined the Green Howards on leaving school. During the 1930s he served in India as an infantry officer and later in Hodson's Horse. It was in India that he met his future wife, Beryl, who was already widely travelled. They married in 1938.

During the Second World War, Smeeton served in the Western Desert, where he won his Military Cross. Later in Burma, *where he commanded* Probyn's Horse, he was awarded the DSO. He retired from the Army after Burmese independence.

The Smeetons then emigrated to Canada, where they farmed for a time in British Columbia, before returning to England, where they bought a 46-ft ketch, *Tzu Hang,* and *spent the next twenty years* sailing the oceans of the world. Smeeton wrote *entertainingly* of their experiences in a number of travel books published during the 1960s.

Their voyages were often far from plain sailing. In December 1956 they left Melbourne with the intention of *sailing to England* via Cape Horn, with another experienced yachtsman, *John Guzzwell.* But in a violent storm when they were 900 miles from Cape *Horn their ketch was dismasted* and almost wrecked.

A mountainous wave pitched the yacht into an inverted loop, stem over stern. The vessel was righted, partly due to the weight of the keel, but lay waterlogged and dismasted. Mrs Smeeton, who had been at the wheel, was parted from her lifeline and *thrown* overboard but managed to regain the vessel despite a *broken collar bone.*

The three *of them* spent many hours baling out until the yacht began to rise. *Then,* with improvised rig, they resumed their passage and reached the coast of *Chile* five weeks later.

Smeeton described their *adventures in his book, Once is Enough.* However, they disproved the title nine months later when the Smeetons prepared for a second attempt on the Horn - and suffered a similar experience *in the same area, which they* again survived and sailed on with improvised equipment.

Another epic voyage was a 3,774-mile passage from Singapore to Japan, via Sarawak, Brunei, North Borneo and the Philippines which in 1964, earned Smeeton the Royal Cruising Club challenge cup for what was described as "a *masterly cruise* in waters often indifferently charted where a high *degree of pilotage* skill was essential".

In 1968 Smeeton and his wife bought land in the foothills of the Rockies west of Calgary, where, with their *daughter* and son in law, they set up the Wild Life Reserve of Western Canada, a charity devoted to the rehabilitation, breeding and re-introduction to the *wild state* of endangered indigenous animals.

Among their successes was the re-establishment of the Northern Swift Fox, which had become nearly extinct in *Canada.*

In his book, *A Taste of the Hills,* published in 1961, Smeeton recalled his random memories of India in the 1930s. *A Change of Jungle,* published the following year, described *his* wartime experiences, and *Sunrise to Windward* was a relaxed travel book on some of his voyages.

His wife died in 1979. He is survived by his daughter, Clio.

MR STANLEY DANGERFIELD

Mr Stanley Dangerfield, who died on September 28, aged 77, was a well known writer and television presenter on the subject of dogs and other household pets and a show dog judge of international reputation.

He was one of the best loved personalities at Crufts and a leading light in the Kennel Club, which presides over dogdom.

He often claimed to be the only person who ever made money out of dogs. Those who keep them, love them, breed them, or show them know how expensive the hobby is. *But Dangerfield, through his* books on canine care, and his columns in women's magazines and newspapers — notably the *Daily Express* — found a way, *in his own words,* to scratch a living by writing about what he knew best.

His television programmes turned Crufts into the best *known dog show in the world.*

Dangerfield abhorred the worst excesses of breeders who exploited genetic mistakes to produce a "fashionable" look to a dog. He believed that a dog should "work" properly and be happy and contented *with its mental and physical* make-up. But more importantly he believed that dog owners — of whom he was one — had a responsibility to the *community at large* as well as towards their pets. "There are no bad dogs," he used to say. "Only bad dog owners."

He was a founder member and *chairman* of the Tail Waggers Club, created to provide funds for investigations and research into canine illnesses under the auspices of the Royal Veterinary College.

While the public in many countries will remember his spare but handsome looks on the television screen or in the judging ring, his friends will recall him presiding with unfailing good humour over *his* guests at his relaxed home near Camberley, his two prized *Griffons* sitting on a cushion beside him.

He *leaves* his widow, Lucille.

SIR WILLIAM HARRIS

Sir *William Harris, OBE,* who died on September 23, at the age of 78, was a man with considerable business interests in South West London, who was also very much involved in London's public life, as a long-serving chairman of magistrates and juvenile courts.

He was also active in the Conservative Party, and chaired the Conservative Party Conference in 1972.

William Woolf Harris was born on in London on August 19, 1910, and educated at King's College, Wandsworth, and Princeton University.

On his return from the United States he went into estate agency with the Battersea firm of Redgwell and Harris, which he later bought out and devloped as his own *business. In time he became* one of the best-known property developers in South West London and was senior partner of the firm until he sold it in 1985.

He was also active in the *political and public life* of the area and beyond, as chairman of South Battersea Conservative Association from 1956 to 1963, and then, from 1971 to 1973, as chairman of the National Union of Conservative Associations.

He was *much interested* in crime and the young, as a JP for Bow Street from *1952,* and he was a chairman of Bow Street Magistrates Court from *1955 to 1980,* and from *1955* to 1975, chairman of Inner London Juvenile Courts.

He published numerous papers on problems of juvenile delinquency, child welfare, mental health and penal reform, and was on the London Probation Committee and the Home Office Juvenile Courts Consultative Committee.

He was High Sheriff of *Greater London in 1971-72* and was a Freeman of the City of London. From 1979 he was a member of the Council and the Court of City University.

He leaves his widow, Beverly, a son and two daughters.

MR JOHN PINKERTON, QC

Mr John Pinkerton, QC, one of Scotland's leading advocates, died on September '28, at the age of 47. He had *been suffering from* AIDS for some time.

Educated at *Rugby* and Oxford and Edinburgh Universities, Pinkerton became an advocate in 1966 and 'was junior council to the *Countryside Commission* for Scotland and to the Commissioners of Customs and Excise. Much of his practice was concerned with the valuation and rating.

He was Clerk of the Faculty of Advocates *from* 1971 to 1977 and deeply involved himself in the history of the Faculty and of Parliament House.

He also had *a deep interest* in the arts, which was reflected in his knowledge of the collection of portraits and sculptures built up by the Faculty.

Pinkerton took Silk in 1984. Throughout his career Pinkerton lived in Edinburgh, where he was involved in the cultural life of the city. As a member of the *Cockburn* Association, and its chairman *in 1986, he* played an active part in the conservation and reconstruction of Albert Lodge in the city's Dalkeith Road.

He was unmarried.

MISS HILDA CLINKARD

Miss Hilda Clinkard, who died on September 21, at the age of 86, was a senior civil servant after the Second World War and a doughty and resourceful advocate of women's rights. She was one of the group of temporary civil servants who became established after the war and served with distinction.

Born on July 14, 1902, she was educated at Camden *Girls'* School and, after working in the City, joined the National Council of Girls' Clubs in 1935.

In 1940, she joined the Ministry of Supply and quickly demonstrated her ability and resolution in the work of the Central Priorities Department, excelling in the *never-easy task* of harnessing military and civilian personnel in effective partnership. Later, she served in the Ministry of National Insurance *and completed her career* at the Department of Education as Assistant Secretary.

Hilda Clinkard's work as chairman of the Council of *Women Civil Servants* was marked by vital advances in equality of opportunity, including equal pay. Her long association with the pioneering *work of the Fawcett* Society was widely-recognized as outstandingly valuable.

In retirement, she gave devoted service to the cause of *special schools for* maladjusted boys and the needs of the Marchant Halliday School were especially close to her heart — she was wonderfully *successful in raising* large sums for the development of its work and 'Clinkard House' at the School is a continuing reminder of this.

She did not suffer fools — *or* the self-important — gladly. But her long life was marked by countless acts of kindness and her willing acceptance of the *personal cost of her warm* generosity, above all when the years had taken their toll of health

ADRIAN RENDLE

Adrian Rendle, the playright, director, actor and teacher, *has died at the age of 60.*

Rendle studied theatre design but was drawn toward directing and acting in the 1950s, becoming a director with the Tavistock *Repertory* Company. He then had a spell as artistic director of the Theatre Royal Stratford East, productions in the regional theatre and television and film directing.

It was *in his* work at Webber-Douglas Academy, RADA and LANDA that he probably exerted his greatest influence.

During the late *1970s* he established the Manoel Theatre Academy of Dramatic Art in Malta for the British Council. He resumed writing and several admirable plays emerged in the next few years.

Anniversaries

BIRTHS: William Hutton, local historian, Derby, 1723; Fitzroy James Somerset, 1st Baron Raglan, c-in-c in the Crimean war, Badminton, Gloucestershire, 1788; Frederick Sleigh Roberts, *1st Earl Roberts, field-marshal,* Cawnpore, 1832.

DEATHS: George *Whitefield,* evangelist, Newbury Port, Massachusetts, 1770; James Brindley, canal builder, Turnhurst, Staffordshire, 1772; Frederick Edwin Smith, 1st Earl of Birkenhead, Lord Chancellor 1919-22, *London,* 1930; James Dean, film actor, Paso Robles, California, 1955.

The partition of Poland by Russia and Germany, 1939. The end of the Berlin airlift (begun in June 1948) 1949.

Service dinner

Royal Army Ordnance Corps
Major-General J.A. Hulme, Director-General of Ordnance Services, and Officers of the Royal *Army* Ordnance Corps held a dinner at their Head*quarters Officers'* Mess, Deepcut, last night. Lord Trefgarne and *Lieutenant-General* C.E.W. Jones were the principal guests.

Clergy pay bonanza

More than 300 clergymen in Sussex are to receive a pay rise of about £800 a year as a result of a sale of church land for housing at Steyning, which raised £3.5 million for the Chichester diocese.

The diocese plans to invest the income and use the interest to finance the wage increase.

Medieval screen decision delayed

The consistory court sitting at North Walsham, Norfolk, has reserved judgment until November after a hearing this week on a plan by the Rev Martin Smith to move the *medieval* painted screen in St Nicholas parish church. *Thirty* four parishioners have opposed the scheme.

HENRY MOORE
The Times/Royal Academy Offer

All *Times* readers are invited to attend the Henry Moore Exhibition at the Royal Academy of Arts, Piccadilly, for £2, on presentation of this coupon at the Academy ticket desk. (Normal entry price: £3.50).

This coupon also entitles you to automatic entry in a special *Times*/Royal Academy draw for a Moore lithograph of the Nativity (1981). This is one of a *limited edition of 50.* Details of the draw can be obtained at the ticket desk

* This offer is valid Monday to Saturday *until* December 11. Only one voucher per person will be accepted.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & PERSONAL

But the mercy of the Lord is from *everlasting to everlasting* upon them that fear him, and his righteousness unto children's children:
Psalm 103 17

BIRTHS

BRAID - On September 28th, at Pembury, to Susanna (née Kee) and Simon, a daughter Zoe Helga, a sister for Joshua and Lucy.

DIXON - On September 26th, to Wendy (née Harding) and Peter, a daughter Joanna Mary, a sister for Sarah.

FRENCH - On September 22nd 1988 to The Hon. Charles and Julia, (née Wellard), a son.

GANT-SARGENT - On September 22nd, to Caroline and Anthony, a daughter Emily Jo.

GIBBS- See Rademaker.

KELLER - On September 28th to Kay (née McGowan) and Paul, a daughter, Mary Elsa.

LIVINGSTONE-LEARMONTH - On September 22nd, 1988 at Queen Charlotte's, to Fiona (née Stewart-Liberty) and John, a son, Edward Christian.

LLOYD-WRIGHT - On September 24th 1988, to Maria, (née Cerclay) and Kevin, a daughter, Jessica Maria. A companion for Boots.

RADEMAKER - On September 29th, in Amsterdam, to Anne Lilian (née Gibbs) and Joost Rademaker, a daughter, Charlotte Carla Ghislaine.

TANK - On September 28th, at Ealing Hospital, to Nirmala and Ramesh, a son.

WHEELER - On September 29th to Susan and Jonathan, a son, Charles Edward.

WILSON - On Sepetember 26th 1988, at the *Princess Margaret, Windsor*, to Fiona (née Kirkwood) and Robbie, a daughter, Arabella. A sister for Alexandria.

MARRIAGES

DOWNER:RUSSELL - The Marriage took place at Holy Trinity, Bembridge, Isle of Wight, on September 17th, between Mr Mark Downer, son of Mr and Mrs R Downer and Miss Joanne Russell youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs David E Ruffell.

HALL-JONES:BIRCH - The marriage took place at Bracknell Register Office on September 26th, between Mr Stephen Hall-Jones and Mrs Sally-Ann Birch.

SEWARD:HOBDEY - On September 24th 1988, at St. Nicholas Church, Leamington Spa at 12 noon, Julian Mark to Marney.

GOLDEN ANNIVERSARIES

HANCOX:STOW - On September 30th 1938 at the Church of St. Peter & St. Clare, Fenny Compton, Avery Stallard to Daphne, present address Cold Aston, Nr Cheltenham, Glos.

DEATHS

BALFOUR - On September 28th 1988, peacefully at Sevenoaks Heritage *Nursing Home. Mary Elisabeth (Betty)*, beloved wife of David and dearly loved mother of Michael, Patrick and Fiona and grandmother of Richard, Amanda, Mary, Calandra, James and Matthew. Private family cremation. Service of rememberance at the Church of St. Peter and St. Paul, Seal, near Sevenoaks at 12 noon on Thursday October 6th. Family flowers only please, to Francis Chappell & Sons, 27 London Rd., Sevenoaks. Tel: (0732) 450203.

BOYLE - On September 27th 1988, at Papworth Hospital, Angela Russell Boyle, of The Red House, Fen Drayton, loved and loving wife of Desmond and mother of Charles and Annabel. Funeral at St. Mary's Church, Fen Drayton, Cambridge, on Monday October 3rd at 1pm.

BRAIN - On September 28th, at home, peacefully after a long illness, Lady Nuala Gertrude. Funeral service St Dunstan's Catholic Church, Bourne End Bucks, at 11.00am Tuesday October 4th. Followed by private burial. Enquiries, G Smith Funeral Directors. Tel: Bourne End 23666.

CAHILL - On September 27th 1988, aged 74, *Col. Edward Joseph, O.B.E.* F.R.I.C.S., peacefully after a short illness. Dearly loved husband of Margaret, father of Susan and Joseph, grandfather of Thomas and James. Requiem Mass at Saint Thomas of Canterbury, West Hill, Wandsworth, on October 4th at 10am, followed by cremation at Putney Vale Crematorium.

COCK - *On September 27th, at Clifden* Nursing Home Seaford. Captain Robert Cock, age 72, of the North Staffordshire Regiment. Husband of the late Angela, step-father of Joan and Edward, step-grandfather of *Gay, Joy, Robin, Angela* and Tristan. Beloved brother of Doreen and the late Clarence. Cremation family only.

COTCHIN - *On September 27th 1988*, in hospital, Emeritus Professor Ernest Cotchin, FRCVS, DSc, FRC Path., formally Vice-Principal of The Royal Veterinary College. Husband of the late Adelaide and beloved father to Margaret, Charles, *Mary* and Johnathan. Much loved husband of Hilda and happily remebered by her and her children Judy, Sally and Martin. Service at West Herts Crematorium, Garston, Herts. On Wednesday October 5th at 10am. Family flowers only please. Donations if desired to The Imperial Cancer Research Fund, 44 Lincoln's Inn Fields, London, WC2A 3PX., or The Veterinary Benevolent Fund, 32 Belgrave Square, London SW1X 8QP.

CROCKETT - On September 28th peacefully, at North Thames Nuffield *Hospital, Ronald Alexander*. Dearly loved husband of Peggy, father of Barbara Nell and Kathryn and grandfather to Jonathan, Lisa and Christopher. Service at Christchurch Chorleywood, 12.30pm Wednesday *October 5th. Family flowers only*, but if desired, donations to Neurological Research Fund, Saint Marys Hospital, Paddington.

DEAR - *On September 27th 1988*, peacefully at Pembury Hospital, Tunbridge Wells, Howard, retired Director of F.W. Woolworth, and husband of Joan and father of Andrew. Funeral at Tunbridge Wells Crematorium on Wednesday October 5th at 3pm.

FORESTER - On September 27th, *peacefully at home*, Marie Louise Priscilla, widow of the 7th Baron Forester. She leaves loving children, grandchildren and great grandchildren. Funeral at Willey Parish Church 2.30pm on Monday October 3rd.

FREEMAN - On September 24th, suddenly and painlessly in London, Juliet aged 68, beloved sister of Witty and mother of Mike. *Will be greatly* missed by all friends and relatives alike. Funeral service at Mortlake Crematorium on Monday October 3rd at 4.00 pm. Flowers to C.R.S Funeral *Services*, 82 Parsons Green Lane, London SW6 4HU

FUERST - On September 28th, peacefully in Paris, Henry. Dearly loved and mourned by Florence, Roderic, Tamara, Francis and all the family.

HARTWILL - On September 28th peacefully at home in Barnstaple, Mary Bray aged 85 years, close friend of Winifred Armstrong, dearly loved by family and friends. 'In thy presence is fullness of joy' (Psalm 16 verse 11). Funeral service at the North Devon crematorium on Tuesday October 4th at 2pm. Flowers and enquiries to Padfields Funeral Service, Barnstaple.

HIRST - On September 28th, Edith of Crossfield House, *Highfield* Road, Horbury, aged 88 years, dearly loved wife of the late Ralph Hirst, dear mother of Michael and Andrew and dear grandma of Lisa and James. Service and internment on *Monday, October* 3rd at Ossett Parish Church at 1 pm. Family flowers only, donations in lieu if desired to Ossett Lifeboat Association c/o Mrs S Asquith, 12A Sowood Lane, Ossett.

HUMPHREY - On September 29th peacefully at his home in Sommerset the Rev. Albert Thomas. Much loved by many. Funeral at St John The Baptist Pawlett, on Thursday October 6th at 2.30pm. Family flowers only, but if desired donations to Christian Aid maybe sent to Messrs P J Harris, 2 Cross Street, Burnham-On-Sea Sommerset, TA8 1BN.

KENNEN - On September 28th, peacefully, at home with her family, Esther (Peter). Funeral at Ardpatrick House at 3pm, Saturday October 8th.

MARKHAM - *On September 28th*, Eileen, aged 80, formerly of Kingscourt, Co. Cavan, Widow of Ralph, dearly loved mother and grandmother. Requiem Mass at the Church of our Lady, Lisson Grove, *London NW8 on Tuesday October* 4th at 10am. Funeral at All Souls Cemetery, Kensal Green, at 11.15am. Flowers to J.H. Kenyon Ltd., 132 Freston Rd. London W10. Tel: 01 727 1040.

McDONNELL - On September 28th, peacefully at the Roding Hospital. Dr Kevin George Thomas K.S.G. Formerly of Rectory Court, Goldings Hill Loughton. Formerly a lecturer at *St Marys College, Mile End*. Requiem Mass on Wednesday October 5th 1.30pm in St Edmunds Church, Traps Hill, Loughton followed by cremation at the City of London crematorium. No flowers by request donations to *St Josephs Hospice* Hackney. All enquiries to West & Coe Funeral Directors on 01 592 0164.

MOBBS - On September 28th suddenly at home, Eric Noel, dearly loved husband of Margaret and father of Anne and John, a beloved grandfather and great grandfather. Private cremation, family flowers only. Donations if wished, to British Heart Foundation. *Memorial service date to be* announced later.

PEARSON - On Monday September 26th 1988, suddenly John Derek, dearly loved husband of Kay, father of Sheila and Robert, father-in-law of Jennifer and David and dearest grandpa of Jane, Anna and Caroline. Funeral service at Linn Crematorium (St Mungo Chapel), Lainshaw Drive, Glasgow G45, on Saturday October 1st, at 11.30am. Family flowers only. Donations if desired to the British Heart Foundation for Pure Cardial Vascular Research in Scotland.

PINKERTON - On September 28th 1988, at Fairmile Marie Curie Home, Edinburgh. John Macpherson Pinkerton Q.C. of Arthur Lodge. Life long friend of Jack Howells and dear brother of Clare Fardell and Susan Dyer. Service at Canongate Kirk, Edinburgh on Monday October 3rdat 2.15pm. Cremation thereafter private. No flowers please.

PINKNEY - On Tuesday September 27th 1988, peacefully in East Surrey Hospital, Redhill, Alan Bourdas, aged 80 years. Much loved husband *of Rosemary* and loving *father* of Elizabeth and *Alastair*, and father in law of Clio. *Funeral* service at St. Peter's Church, Tandridge, on Friday, October 7th at 3.00 pm. No flowers, but donations if desired, to British Heart Foundation, *c/o* Ebbutt Funeral Service, Limpsfield, Oxted, Surrey.

SNELLGROVE - On September 28th1988, Annie Mary Priscilla ("Dolly") in her 97th year, dear mother of Margaret Fricker, Sheila Kearney and Anthony, a much loved mother, grandmother and great grandmother. May she rest in peace.

STIRLING - On September 29th 1988, peacefully at her home in Cairns, Queensland, Australia. Widow of Athol Stirling of Western Australia, mother of Elizabeth Bergeaud, June *Padgett*, grandmother *of Gregory*, Katherine and Louise.

STOREY - On September 27th, peacefully at home at Lindfield Sussex, after an illness borne with courage and good humour, Hugh aged 77. Beloved husband of Sally and father of Christopher and Lavinia. Funeral service, St Marks Church, Staplefield on Wednesday October 5th, at 12 noon. Enquiries, flowers or donations for Pestalozzi Childrens Village, to Masters and Son, 20 High St. Lindfield, West Sussex RH16 2HH.

VESSEY - On September 28th, peacefully at home, Restronguet Weir, Falmouth. Nancy, widow of Douglas, much loved mother of Kim Stephens and family. Funeral service at Mylor Church on Thursday October 6th at 11am before private cremation. No mourning. Family flowers only. Donations if desired to MacMillan Nursing service c/o Midland Bank Market St, Falmouth.

WEMYSS - *On Wednesday September* 28th 1988, peacefully at Roodlands Hospital, Haddington, Mavis (Babs) Murray. Beloved wife of David, Earl of Wemyss and March, and dearly loved mother, sister and Grandmother. *Funeral at Aberlady Church* on Tuesday 4th October at 11 a.m followed by thanksgiving service at St. Johns The Evangelist Edinburgh at 3 p.m the same day. Donations to Save The Children in Scotland most welcome.

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WHITFIELD - On September 28th. *Ruth Hilda, younger daughter of the* late Rev and Mrs F.W.G. Whitfield, formerly of Caerleon and Roehampton. Funeral service at St Marys Church, Brixham, Devon, on Thursday October 6th at 2pm followed *by interment at Paignton* Cemetary. Enquiries to T & I Stockman, Funeral Directors, Brixham, Tel: (0803) 882385.

MEMORIAL SERVICES

CRAWLEY - A service of thanksgiving for the lives of Mr Andrew Crawley and Mr Randall Crawley will be held on Thursday October 13th at noon at St Michaels, Chester Square.

DE LIMA - A Memorial Service for Ian Henderson Muir De Lima, Count de Bolbec, will be held on Sunday October 9th, at 3.00 pm. at The Methodist Church, Bellegrove Road, Welling, Kent.

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LONGMORE - Service of Thanksgiving *for the life of James Longmore* C.B.E., will be held at St Peter's Church, Bishops Waltham, at 2.30pm on Friday October 21st 1988.

MAYNARD - Brig. R.F. A memorial service for Brig. Russell Frank Maynard was held yesterday in Salisbury Cathedral. The Dean of Salisbury, the Very Rev. HG Dickinson officiated. *Mr. Matthew Maynard* (son) read the first lesson and Maj. Gen. JMW Badcock, Master of Signals, the second. The address was given by Maj. Gen. PD Alexander, Signal Officer-in-Chief (Army). Among those present were Mrs. Maynard (widow), Miss Rebecca Maynard (daughter), Mr. and Mrs. Fred Maynard (parents), Brig. and Mrs. Royston Maynard (brother and sister-in-law), Mr. and Mrs. Ron Bedwell (parents-in-law), Mr. David Bedwell (brother-in-law), and many friends and service colleagues were present.

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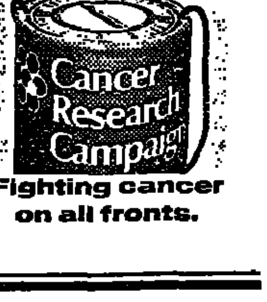

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By order of the Board
G AISBITT
Secretary

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LONDON NW1 1DZ

LEGAL NOTICES

AN CHUIRT CHUARDA
(THE CIRCUIT COURT)
Record No. 10269/86
DUBLIN CIRCUIT
COUNTY OF THE CITY OF DUBLIN
BETWEEN:
COMHLUCHT NA hEIREANN UM ARACHAS CPT
(New Ireland Assurance company Plc)
Plaintiff
and
JAMES MURPHY AND ELIZABETH MURPHY
Defendants

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO PROCEED
TAKE NOTICE that at the expiration of *one month from the date hereof*, the Plaintiff intends to proceed in this Action.
Dated this 30th day of September 1988
Signed
Hickey Beauchamp Kirwan & O'Reilly
SOLICITORS FOR THE PLAINTIFF
DOLLARD HOUSE,
WELLINGTON QUAY,
DUBLIN 2

THE INSOLVENCY ACT 1986
MONDIAL LIMITED
(In Creditors' Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Creditors of the above-named Company *are required on or before the 31st day of* October 1988, to send their names and addresses, with particulars of their debts or claims to the undersigned, Ipe Jacob and Richard William James Long of Robson Rhodes, 186 City Road, London EC1V 2NU, the Joint Liquidators of the Company; *and if so required by notice in writing* from the said Liquidator either personally or by their Solicitors, to come in and prove their debts or claims at such time and place as shall be specified in such notice and in default thereof, they will be excluded from the benefit of any distribution *made before such debts are proven.*
Dated this 16th day of September 1988
L JACOB & RWJ LONG
JOINT LIQUIDATORS

SAMUEL SHERMAN PLC

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 98 of the Insolvency Act, 1986, that a Meeting of the creditors of the above-named Company will be held at the offices of LEONARD CURTIS & CO., situated at 30 EASTBOURNE TERRACE (SECOND FLOOR) LONDON W2 6LF on Thursday, the 13th day of October, 1988 at 12.30 p.m. for the purposes provided for in Sections 98 et seq.

Keith D Goodman, Licensed Insolvency Practitioner, of Leonard Curtis & Co., whose address is above, will provide the creditors free of charge with such information as to the company's affairs as the creditors may reasonably require until the 12th October, 1988.

Dated the 19th day of September 1988
D J P BRYANS
Director

EDWARDIAN RESTAURANTS LIMITED
Registered number: 2142814. Nature of business: Restaurant and wine bar. Trade classification: 49. Date of appointment of administrative receivers: 19 September 1988. Name of person appointing the administrative receivers: Allied Irish Banks plc. Ipe Jacob and Nigel William James Montgomery Joint Administrative Receivers (office holder nos. *2121 and 5305)* c/o 186 City Road, London EC1V 2NU.

MONDIAL INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTS LIMITED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 98 of the Insolvency Act, 1986, that a Meeting of the creditors of the above named company will be held at the offices of Leonard Curtis & Co., situated at 30 Eastbourne Terrace (Second Floor) London W2 6LF on Wednesday, the 12th day of October, 1988 at 10 a.m. for the purposes provided for in Section 98 et seq.

Keith D Goodman, Licensed Insolvency Practitioner, of Leonard Curtis & Co., whose address is above, will provide the creditors free of charge with such information as to the company's affairs as the creditors may reasonably require until the 11th October 1988.

Dated the 20th day of September 1988
A.R. PIRIE
Director

MONDIAL COATING SYSTEMS LIMITED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 98 of the Insolvency Act, 1986, that a *Meeting of the creditors of the above* named company will be held at the offices of Leonard Curtis & Co., situated at 30 Eastbourne Terrace (Second Floor) London W2 6LF on Wednesday, the 12th day of October, 1988 at 12 o'clock for the purposes provided for in Section 98 et seq.

Keith D Goodman, *Licensed Insolvency* Practitioner, of Leonard Curtis & Co., whose address is above, will provide the creditors free of charge with such information as to the company's affairs as the creditors may reasonably require until the 11th October 1988.

Dated the 20th day of September 1988
ANTHONY ROSS PIRIE
Director

TRACECARE LIMITED
Company Number 1697794

In accordance with Section 46(1) of the Insolvency Act 1986, notice is hereby given that we, P Lomas and D.J. Kilroy of Poppleton & Appleby, 32 High Street, Manchester M4 1QD, were appointed on 30th August 1988, Joint Administrative Receivers of the above named company by the debenture holder.
P. Lomas D.J. Kilroy
Joint Administrative Receivers

The Insolvency Act 1986
Notice of Appointment of Liquidator
in Winding Up by the Court
Sugar Properties (Derisley Wood) Limited
Company Number F10476

I, Michael John Arnold, give notice that on September 14, 1988 I was appointed liquidator of Sugar Properties (Derisley Wood) Limited by a resolution of a meeting of the company's creditors.
Michael John Arnold.
Arthur Young,
Rolls House,
7 Rolls Buildings,
Fetter Lane,
London EC4A 1NH.

P WATSON LIMITED
IN RECEIVERSHIP

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to Section *48 of the Insolvency Act 1986, that a* General Meeting of the unsecured creditors of the above-named Company will be held at the offices of Stoy Hayward, 8 Baker Street, London W1M 1DA, on 17th October 1988, at 10.30 a.m. for the purpose of having a report laid before the *Meeting and of hearing any explanation* that may be given by the Joint Administrative Receivers. Creditors whose claims are wholly secured are not entitled to attend or be represented.

Please note that a creditor is entitled to vote only if he has sent to the Joint Administrative Receivers by not later than 12.00 noon on 14th October 1988, details in writing of the debt that he claims to be due to him from the company and the claim has been duly admitted under the provisions of the Insolvency Rules 1986 and there has been lodged with the Joint Administrative Receivers any proxy which the creditor intends to be used on his behalf.
PR COPP
Joint Administrative Receiver
26th September 1988

In the Matter of
Bulk Services *(Agricultural) Limited*
(in liquidation)

TAKE NOTICE that the undersigned, Richard James Rees of Victoria House, 76 Milton Street, Nottingham, NG1 3QY, liquidator of the above named company has fixed 31 October 1988 as the final date on or before which the creditors fo the Company are to prove their debts or claims, and to establish any title they may have to priority. Proofs of debt should therefore be delivered to me, at the aforementioned address, before that date, in default of which creditors will be excluded from the benefit of any distribution made before such debts are proved, or such priority is established or, as the case may be, for objecting to such distribution.
Dated this 22 day of September 1988
RJ REES
Joint Liquidator

IN THE MATTER OF THE INSOLVENCY ACT 1986
AND IN THE MATTER OF
AVELING BARFORD LIMITED
Registered Office:
Invicta Works, Grantham, Lincolnshire
Principal Trading Address:
Invicta Works, Grantham, Lincolnshire
Company No: 44631

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to Section 98 of the Insolvency Act 1986 that a Meeting of the Creditors of the above-named Company will be held at Chartered Insurance Institute Hall, 20 Aldermanbury, London EC2V 7HY on 10th day of October 1988, at 11 00 a.m., for the purposes mentioned in Sections 99 to 101 of the Insolvency Act 1986, i.e. -
1. *To consider the Directors' Statement of* Affairs
2. To Appoint a Liquidator
3. To appoint a Liquidation Committee.
No creditor may vote who has not lodged a proof of debt at 33/34 Chancery Lane, London WC2A 1EW, together with a *proxy if required, not later than 4.00 pm* on 9th October 1988.
The following insolvency practitioner will provide creditors free of charge with information concerning the company's affairs: Christopher Morris, Touche Ross & Co., 33/34 Chancery Lane, London WC2A (Telephone: 01 406 8799, Extn. 336 please ask for Mr Hugo Green)
Dated this 26 day of September 1988
BY ORDER OF THE BOARD
Dr Lee Kin Pat
Secretary

LEGAL NOTICES

INTERNAL SYSTEMS ORGANISATION LIMITED
(Company No: 983245)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 46(1) of the Insolvency Act 1986 that PHILIP MONJACK, FCA and KEITH DAVID GOODMAN, FCA of Leonard Curtis & Co., 30 Eastbourne Terrace, London W2 6LF, were appointed Joint Administrative Receivers of the whole of the property of the above company on Thursday, 15th September 1988 by Midland Bank Plc, under the powers contained in a Debenture dated 14th January 1983.
Dated 16th September 1988
PHILIP MONJACK, FCA
and KEITH DAVID GOODMAN, FCA
Joint Administrative Receivers

IN THE MATTER OF THE INSOLVENCY ACT 1986
AND IN THE MATTER OF
AVELING BARFORD INTERNATIONAL LIMITED
Registered Office:
Invicta Works, Grantham, Lincolnshire
Principal Trading Address:
Invicta Works, Grantham, Lincolnshire
Company No. 235064

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant *to Section 98 of the Insolvency Act 1986* that a Meeting of the Creditors of the above-named Company will be held at Chartered Insurance Institute Hall, 20 Aldermanbury, London EC2V 7HY on 10th day of October 1988, at 10 00 a.m., *for the purposes mentioned in Sections 99 to 101 of the Insolvency Act 1986, i.e. :-*
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No creditor may vote who has not lodged a proof of debt at 33/34 Chancery Lane, *London WC2A 1EW*, together with a proxy if required, not later than 4.00 pm on 9th October 1988
The following insolvency practitioner will provide creditors free of charge with information concerning the company's affairs: Christopher Morris, Touche Ross & Co., *33/34 Chancery Lane, London WC2A* (Telephone: 01 406 8799, Extn. 336 please ask for Mr Hugo Green)
Dated this 26 day of September 1988
BY ORDER OF THE BOARD
Dr Lee Kin Pat
Secretary

IN THE MATTER OF THE INSOLVENCY ACT 1986
AND IN THE MATTER OF
AVELING BARFORD GROUP PLC
Registered Office:
Invicta Works, Grantham, Lincolnshire
Principal Trading Address:
Invicta Works, Grantham, Lincolnshire
Company No: 2062688

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to Section 98 of the Insolvency Act 1986 that a Meeting of the Creditors of the above-named Company will be held at Chartered Insurance Institute Hall, 20 Aldermanbury, London EC2V 7HY on 10th day of October 1988, at 11.30 a.m., for the purposes mentioned in Sections 99 to 101 of the Insolvency Act 1986, i.e. :-
1. To consider the Directors' Statement of Affairs
2. To Appoint a Liquidator
3. *To appoint a Liquidation Committee.*
No creditor may vote who has not lodged a proof of debt at 33/34 Chancery Lane, London WC2A 1EW, together with a proxy if required, not later than 4.00 pm on 9th October 1988.
The following insolvency practitioner will *provide creditors free of charge with information concerning the company's affairs:* Christopher Morris, Touche Ross & Co., 33/34 Chancery Lane, London WC2A (Telephone: 01 406 8799, Extn. 336 please ask for Mr Hugo Green)
Dated this 26 day of September 1988
BY ORDER OF THE BOARD
Dr Lee Kin Pat
Secretary

THE ORIGINAL KITCHEN COMPANY LIMITED

Notice is given that a meeting of the creditors of the above company, called under *the provisions of Section 96 of the* Insolvency Act 1986, will be held at Glaziers Hall, 9 Montague Close, London SE1 on 10 October 1988, at 10.30am. The purpose of the meeting is to receive a report on the company and statement of affairs from a director and if the creditors wish to *do so, to appoint a liquidator and a liquida*tion committee.
By order of the Board
C Grayson
Secretary
26 September 1988

Notice of appointment of
Administrative Receiver
ATS (COMMUNICATIONS) LTD
Registered number: 960584. Trading names: ATS (COMMUNICATIONS). Nature of Business: Manufacture and sale of communications equipment. Trade classification: 11. Date of appointment of administrative receivers: 21 September 1988 Name of person appointing administrative receiver: Lloyds Bank plc. Joint Administrative Receivers: Michael David Gercke and Peter Sheldon Padmore. Address: No. 1 London Bridge, London SE1 9QL

Notice of appointment of
Administrative Receiver
AUTOMATION AND TECHNICAL SERVICES (HOLDINGS) LIMITED
Registered number: 1074676. Trading names: AUTOMATION AND TECHNI*CAL SERVICES (HOLDINGS) LIMITED.* Nature of Business: Holding Company. Trade classification: 46. Date of appointment of administrative receivers: 21 September 1988 Name of person appointing administrative receiver: Lloyds Bank plc. Joint Administrative Receivers: Michael *David Gercke and Peter Sheldon* Padmore. Address: No. 1 London Bridge, London SE1 9QL

THE INSOLVENCY ACT 1986
CLEARWELL AGENCIES LIMITED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 98 of The Insolvency Act 1986, that a Meeting of the Creditors of the above-named Company will be held at Browns Hotel, Dover Street, Mayfair, London, W1A 4SW at 11.00 a.m. for the purposes mentioned in Sections 99 to 101 of the said Act.

A list of the names and addresses of the Company's creditors will be available for inspection free of charge at Buchler Phillips & Co, 43/44 Albemarle Street, London, W1X 3FE, between 10.00am and 4.00pm on Thursday, 29 September, 1988 and Friday, 30 September, 1988.

Creditors wishing to vote at the Meeting must lodge a full statement of account and an informal proof of debt and unless attending in person a proxy at Buchler Phillips & Co, 43/44 Albemarle Street, London W1X 3FE no later than 12 noon on Friday, 30 September 1988. Secured *creditors* must, unless they surrender their security, give particulars of their security and its assessed value if they wish to vote at the Meeting.
By Order of the Board
A. Greenwood - Director
19 September, 1988

THE INSOLVENCY ACT 1986
DALBEATTIE PUBLICATIONS LTD
DALBEATTIE GROUP HOLDINGS LTD
DALBEATTIE (PRINTERS) LTD
DALTEK OFFICE PUBLISHING TECHNIQUES LTD
(all in liquidation)

*Notice is hereby given pursuant to Sec*tion 98 of The Insolvency Act 1986 that Meetings of the Creditors of the above named Companies will be held at 1 Surrey Street, London, WC2R 2NT on Thursday the 29th September 1988 at 1.45 pm, 2.00 pm, 2.30 pm, 3.30 pm, respectively for the *purposes mentioned in Sections 99 to 101* of the said Act.

A list of the names and addresses of the Company's creditors will be available for inspection *free* of charge at 1 Surrey Street, London, WC2R 2NT between 10.00am and 4.00pm on Tuesday 27 Sep*tember 1988 and Wednesday 28 Septem*ber 1988.

Creditors wishing to vote at the Meeting must lodge a full statement of account (proof of debt) and (unless attending in person) a proxy at PO Box 55, 1 Surrey Street, London, WC2R 2NT no later than 12 noon on Wednesday 28 September 1988. Secured creditors must, unless they surrender their security, give particulars of their security and its assessed value if they wish to vote at the Meeting.
M. FISHMAN
Liquidator
20 September 1988

Notice of appointment of liquidator
voluntary winding up
Pursuant to section 109
of the Insolvency Act 1986
Company number: 2194012. Name of company: Dalbeattie Group Holdings Ltd. *Nature of business: Holding Company.* Type of Liquidation: Creditors. Address of registered office: PO Box No. 55, 1 Surrey Street, London, WC2R 2NT. Liquidators name and address: M. Fishman, Arthur Andersen & Co., PO Box No 55, 1 Surrey Street, London, WC2R 2NT. Office Holder *Number: 6470. Date of appointment:* 15.9.88. By whom appointed: Members.
M Fishman ACA - Liquidator
Date: 20.9.88

Notice of appointment of liquidator
voluntary winding up
Pursuant to section 109
of the Insolvency Act 1986
Company number: 1215521. Name of company: Dalbeattie (Printers) Ltd. Nature of business: Printers. Type of Liquidation: Creditors. Address of registered office: PO Box No. 55, 1 Surrey Street, London, WC2R 2NT. Liquidators name and *address: M. Fishman, Arthur Ander*son & Co., PO Box No. 55, 1 Surrey Street, London, WC2R 2NT. Office Holder Number: 6470. Date of appointment: 15.9.88. By whom appointed: Members.
M Fishman ACA - Liquidator
Date: 20.9.88

Notice of appointment of liquidator
voluntary winding up
Pursuant to section 109
of the Insolvency Act 1986
Company number: 1950133. Name of company: Dalbeattie Publications Ltd Na*ture of business: Dormant. Type of Liqui*dation: Creditors. Address of registered office: PO Box No. 55, 1 Surrey Street, London, WC2R 2NT. Liquidators name and address: M. Fishman, Arthur Andersen & Co., PO Box No. 55, 1 Surrey Street, London, WC2R 2NT. Office Holder Number: 6470. *Date of appointment:* 15.9.88. By whom appointed: Members.
M Fishman ACA - Liquidator
Date 20.9.88

Notice of appointment of liquidator
voluntary winding up
Pursuant to section 109
of the Insolvency Act 1986
Company number: 1979516. Name of company: Daltek Office Publishing Techniques Ltd. Nature of business: Computer Software. Type of Liquidation: Creditors. *Address of registered office:* PO Box No. 55, 1 Surrey Street, London, WC2R 2NT. Liquidators name and address: M. Fishman, *Arthur Andersen* & Co., PO Box No. 55, 1 Surrey Street, London, WC2R 2NT Office Holder Number: 6470 Date of appointment: 15.9.88. By whom appointed: Members.
M Fishman - Liquidator
Date: 20.9.88

Notice of appointment of liquidator
voluntary winding up
Pursuant to section 600
of the Companies Act 1985
Company number: 1719910. Name of company: Timehale Limited. Address of registered office: Uplands House, Blackhorse Lane, Walthamstow, London E17. Liquidators name and address: Richard Andrew Segal, Uplands House, Blackhorse Lane, Walthamstow, London E17 6QW. Date of appointment: 19 September 1988. By whom appointed: Members and Creditors.
RA Segal - Liquidator
Date: 20.9.88

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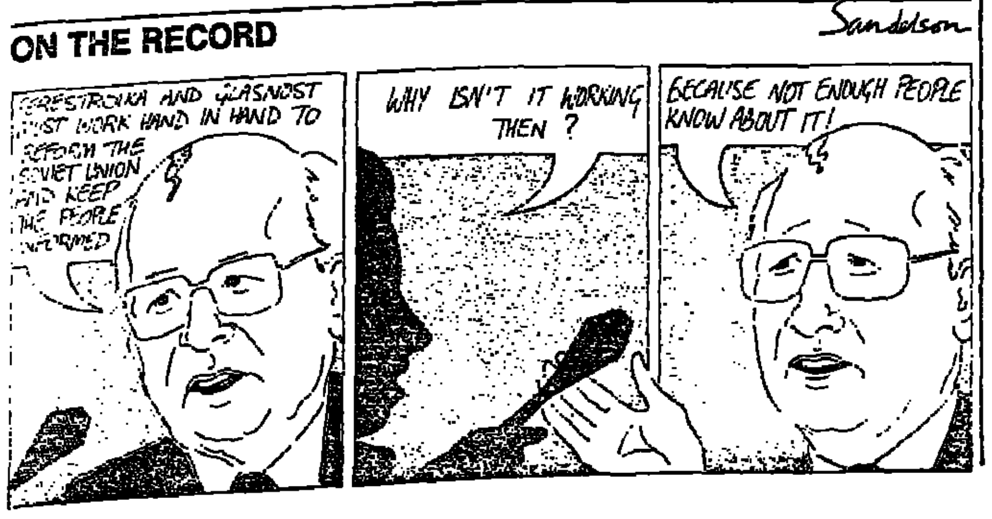
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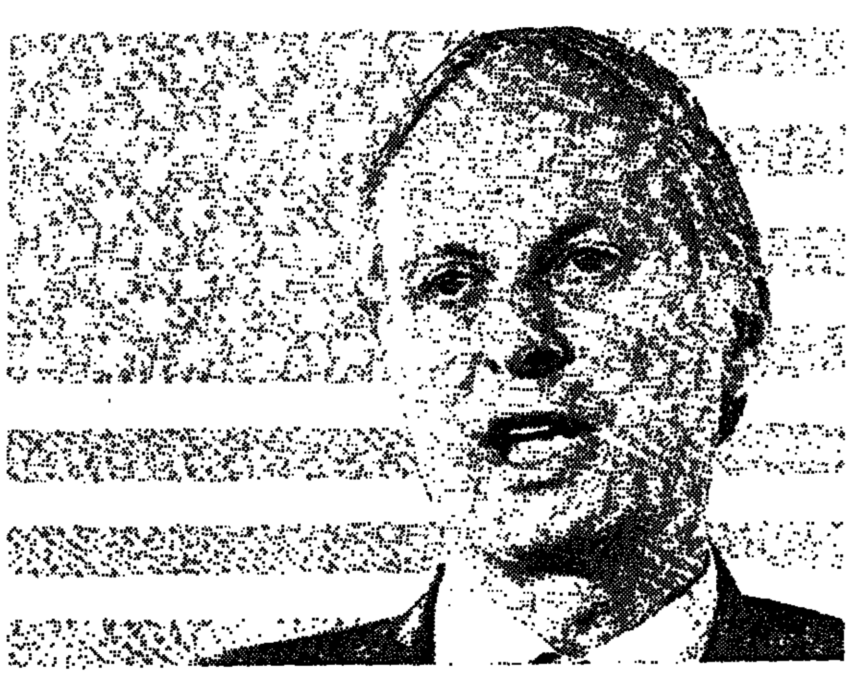
THE ARTS

Andrew Billen reports that Arts Minister Richard Luce, on a US tour to research arts funding, did not get the reassurance which he expected

Yankee boodle



Richard Luce, who this month celebrates the third anniversary of his appointment as Arts Minister, spent last week touring the arts in three American cities. Exhaustive the trip could not be; exhausting it surely was. Most days the minister began finding facts at 9am and often had not upturned the last at 11 in the evening. It was little wonder that, when finally settled in a seat at the Cleveland Play House, he fought to stay awake during a joyful Ed Asner-Madeline Kahn revival of Garson Kanin's *Born Yesterday*.

Yet if, at the end of this attempt to descry the future of arts funding in Britain, Luce left with a blur of impressions, it will have been caused not merely by the speed with which he covered the ground.

On the one hand, plain to see was the variety and vigour of an arts culture largely unaided by the taxpayer. In the centre of Cleveland, a declining industrial city of some 1.8 million citizens, there are eight theatres, none with local government support. In 20 years the Metropolitan Museum of Art has reduced its reliance on the City of New York from 50 per cent to 20 per cent. Of the Metropolitan Opera's $80 million (£47 million) budget, not a million is from the National Endowment for the Arts, the nearest equivalent to Luce's Office of Arts and Libraries.

Head for head of population, the NEA's $168 million (£99 million) budget does not compare with the Arts Council's £150 million. All the NEA's grants, except to a small number of individuals, must be matched at least dollar for dollar, while the Arts Council devotes only £3.5 million to matching money.

Luce, however, flew the Atlantic not only to observe the land of private plenty, but to listen to its artists. He quickly found a caricature of himself had made the crossing before him. Josephine Abady, the artistic director of the Cleveland Play House (and director of *Born Yesterday*), said she had heard he was in town to replace state subsidy with private funding. "Don't do it," she told him. "Don't destroy the finest theatre in the world."

Luce explained that, far from reducing state support, he had guaranteed three years of increases – but that he also wanted to create "a climate of giving" from the private sector. He sought a balance between the state financing of the arts in Europe and America's private and corporate support: "The more you reduce income tax, the more people will want to give."

Around the British Ambassador's dinner table in Washington, Abady's sentiments were echoed by some of the capital's most distinguished arts figures. Hugh Southern, deputy director of the NEA, said, first, that it was was no good talking blithely about improving access to the arts and then charging at the doors of museums; second, that there were signs that private giving was slowing down; and, third, suggested – *contra* a private preoccupation of Luce's – that there was no proof that recent reductions in tax incentives for donations had much affected giving.

Robert Linowes, chairman of the Folger Shakespeare Theatre, said some of America's national institutions were under threat from corporate parsimony. He was talking of the Folger, which with only a few hundred seats and a devotion to Elizabethan theatre, is spectacularly failing to find business sponsorship.

By Friday, at a reception for sponsors of a Royal Academy exhibition in New York, Luce was still talking admiringly of the American "art of giving". But, like the Irishman who asked the way to Cork, he may by then have begun to regret he was starting from where he was.

The gigantic private bequests that created marvels like Washington's National Gallery were made more than 50 years ago. The Ford Foundation, which led the other national foundations like the Rockefeller, started giving to the arts in 1957. Today, local foundations, formed by collections of local businesses, account for 95 per cent of all contributed support to the arts – but they have been giving to schools and hospitals since the First World War.

It is against that tradition that in the last dozen years big business sponsorship has grown to $400 million a year. Yet, even in America, the gift horse sometimes gets a dental inspection. The critics complain that the sponsor wants his logo above the door; that he may not be here next year; that he is more interested in *Masterpiece Theater* and *Swan Lake* than in what is challenging, or of minority interest, or experimental. At moments, Luce must have wondered on which side of the big pond he was.

Ills of the body politic

TELEVISION

Television has been somewhat preoccupied this week with the idea that the use of dangerous substances by one man to make himself more powerful has brought his country almost to its knees. So much so, that we might be forgiven for thinking that Ben Johnson has changed our view of the strength of the individual in relation to the state, much as Florence Griffith-Joyner has revised our expectation of the power the female body in proportion to the length of its fingernails.

***This Week* (ITV), however, reminded us of the rather more serious effects of nations using dangerous substances to increase their power with a worrying tale of the body politic's own anabolic steroid, yet to be banned from international competition – plutonium. As the jobbing dustmen of the world we are going to recycle the Japanese's spent nuclear fuel. Then we *fly* the plutonium back to them from Prestwick because it is easier and cheaper than to send it by sea, where it is vulnerable to attack by terrorists for longer.**

Shahira Fawzi: found a lost tribe

Not, of course, that it is not vulnerable from terrorist attack in the air. Perhaps even more worrying is the threat of a more mundane, unforeseen crash, since it is not clear that scientists have come up with a completely crash-proof container.

The shortness of the programme meant there was little time, after the scaring, for any official reassurance. And just in case we were convinced by talk of a one-in-a-million chance of an accident (which seem to happen more often than they used to) the report ended with some devil's advocate questioning the wisdom of giving the Japanese the opportunity to make nuclear bombs.

If that tale was enough to make you want to escape the modern world, True Story* (Channel 4) *gave a fascinating account of a young Egyptian woman anthropologist, Shahira Fawzi, who did just that when she discovered an unknown nomadic tribe in the desert. Their way of life had been destroyed by another example of the state's ambitious attempts to increase power, the Aswan dam. The death count of that flood might be nothing, though, compared with that of a million-to-one fire at Prestwick airport.

Andrew Hislop

Rix returns in a rusty revival

THEATRE

Dry Rot
Lyric, Shaftesbury Avenue

A revered national institution, loaded with chairmanships and honorary degrees for his services to the mentally handicapped, Sir Brian Rix returns to the scene, clad in a mustard check suit and two-tone toupee, in this revival of his Whitehall smash-hit of the 1950s.

Then, as now, he was always one for having a go, but this time, sportsmanship looks like the death-wish. Since Sir Brian last dropped his trousers for the paying public, basic British farce has subsided into affectionate memory, and we have had the Ben Travers revival and the Ayckbourn boom. With such examples of what farce can be, the original two-year run of John Chapman's *Dry Rot* seems incomprehensible.

Set (*à la* Travers) in a baronial country hotel, where a visiting party of racecourse crooks tangle with the ultra-genteel management, the piece combines lazily illiberal class attitudes with crashingly incompetent plotting. Gags habitually turn on proles making a hash of long words and speaking in funny accents.

The servant (Julie Peasgood) is supposed to be a menace, even though she is forever scampering about with a good-natured smile at the behest of her sneering betters. Chapman equips the hotel with a sliding panel as a standard fixture, and secretes a horse there without explaining how the crooks cram it in. The horse, substituted for a favourite, is supposed to lose: it wins, of course, but again with no explanation.

This is comedy played for stereotyped results, with no concern for the preparation on which laughter depends. Embarrassment, the bane of British farce, also sabotages the plot: as with the arrival of a masterful policewoman, convinced she has unearthed a nest of sexual deviants, but who takes horror-stricken flight at every renewed flash of boxer shorts.

Sir Brian features as a bent bookie, playing the gent, in partnership with a runner (Nick Wilton) upgraded to the role of valet. This partnership is clearly intended as a show's comic mainspring, but it seldom raises a smile: partly because the roles have no individuality, and partly because they are played so uninventively. Rix remains indestructibly self-confident, but he never goes beyond the lines, and his timing only delivers what you know is coming.

Richard Vernon appears to advantage as the British Raj proprietor, sensibly ignoring everyone around him. But for real fun, the only contenders in Christopher Renshaw's production are Derek Griffiths and the acrobatic clown Derek Royle, who get their best effects without words, or by talking French.

Irving Wardle

DEE CONWAY

Sir Brian Rix (left), carrying Derek Royle with Nick Wilton (right)

Chilling the passion out of Joyce

Les Exilés
Théâtre de l'Odéon, Paris

Exiles, James Joyce's only play, written in 1918, was long dismissed as a negligible Ibsen parody. In 1970, however, Harold Pinter's memorable production of this symbolic exploration of marital infidelity, sculpted from the Irish novelist's own personality traits, blew on the work's latent fires, kindling them into a blaze of strangely bridled passions. A French revival at the Odéon, the Comédie Française's second main stage, deftly damps down the flames and competently returns the work to insignificance.

Jacques Baillon's glacial direction freezes Joyce's smouldering characters to the bone, forcing the unhappy cast to warm their talents on flickers of individual interpretation. Jean-Luc Boutté, is a well chosen Rowan, an Irish writer recently returned to Dublin after years of exile, who masochistically edges his wife towards adultery only to torture himself with her suspected infidelity.

Shorn and bespectacled, the dome-browed Boutté bears an uncanny resemblance to Joyce. But this clever piece of physical superimposing serves little purpose. Baillon's bloodless grip dehumanizes the role, to the point where Rowan's (Joyce's?) psychotic dilemma, has the dramatic impact of an absent-minded professor trying to remember where he left his umbrella.

Dominique Constanza chaffs the character of Bertha, Rowan's faithful wife, into some semblance of love-as-Joyce-saw-it. She, too, finally succumbs to the deferential cathedral chill of the direction, and graciously retreats into some internal place, to which the audience is denied access.

Completing the corners of the Ibsenesque quadrangle is Rowan's best friend, Bertha's would-be lover (indifferently played by Maurice Aufair), and an innocuous "other woman" (awkwardly played by Marianne Epin). Baillon puts their emotions on ice, reducing the former to a shallow pretext for Rowan's internal ravings, and the latter to little more than window dressing.

In its original language, the dialogue is leavened with irony, as dark and sharp as a pint of Guinness. Re-penned by Jean-Dominique de la Rochefoucauld, it becomes Marivaux-flavoured Listerine, which efficiently sterilizes Joyce's Gaelic breath of vitality.

Even Jean-Claude Maret's glowering design offers no respite from the production's cold-bloodedness. A rain-swept Dublin of 70 years ago is pared down to a rocky basalt horizon flanked by a door and a window, and the Odéon's majestic stage is sparsely furnished with down-market Habitat.

Diane Hill

Discipline leads to musical ecstasy

CONCERT

CBSO/Elder
Festival Hall

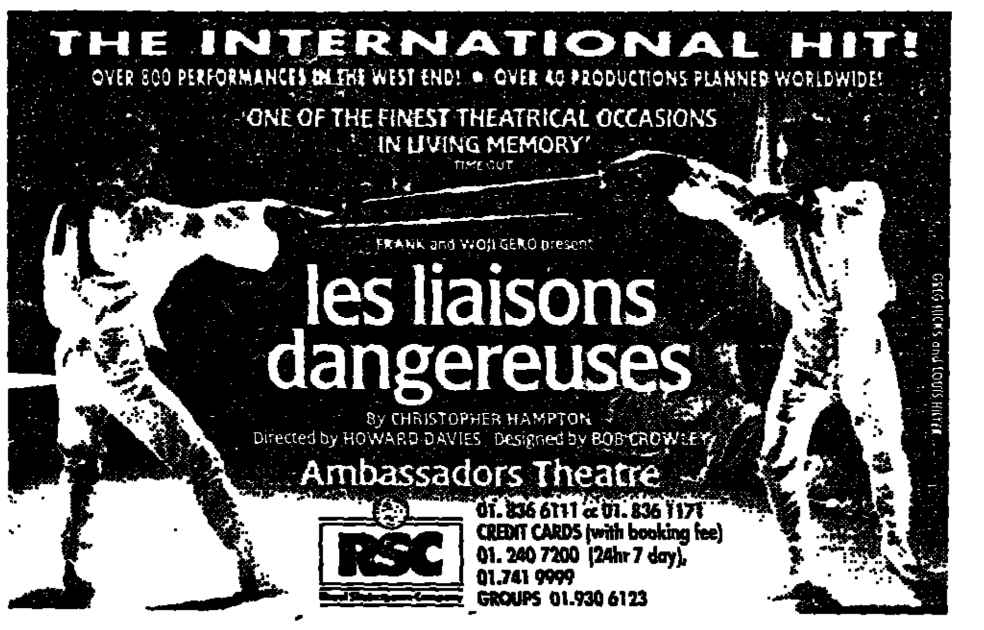
For sure there will not be an empty seat when the Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra visits the Festival Hall next month. Why, then, should there have been a significant number left unoccupied for this concert by the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra? We have surely by now learned to expect and to relish music-making of the very highest calibre from them.

It may have been that the absence of the name of Simon Rattle from the programme dissuaded some. If so, Rattle himself was not among them, and I should be very surprised if he were anything other than thrilled to hear his orchestra put through their paces by that other standard-bearer of selfless music making of the highest quality: Mark Elder. His reading of Messiaen's *Turangalîla Symphony*, which marked the beginning of a South Bank season devoted to that composer's music, celebrating his 80th birthday, contained all the majesty, sentiment and carnal fervour Rattle customarily puts into the work.

It was not simply a matter of the overwhelming self-confidence of the playing, though the CBSO, still in the prime of its new Rattle-inspired life, has plenty of that. Nor was it wholly the result of a natural empathy – these are predominently young players – with the sheer ardour of Messiaen's hymn to love. The performance's success was clinched above all by the CBSO's rhythmic discipline, evident just as much in the slow music of "The Garden of the Sleep of Love" as in the frenetic Finale or the complexities of the three *Turangalîla* movements themselves. No London orchestra (nor perhaps even any in Berlin) can quite match them for that at present.

This still challenging, sexy, yet spiritual work, in which the excellent soloists were Peter Donohoe (piano) and Cynthia Millar (Ondes Martenot), was complemented perfectly by the last important work of Messiaen's teacher, Dukas. His *poème dansé, La Péri*, written more than 20 years before his death, is another sensuous if rather less physical score, and the CBSO painted it in the most precise colours, each and every note contributing significantly to a shimmeringly ecstatic performance.

Stephen Pettitt



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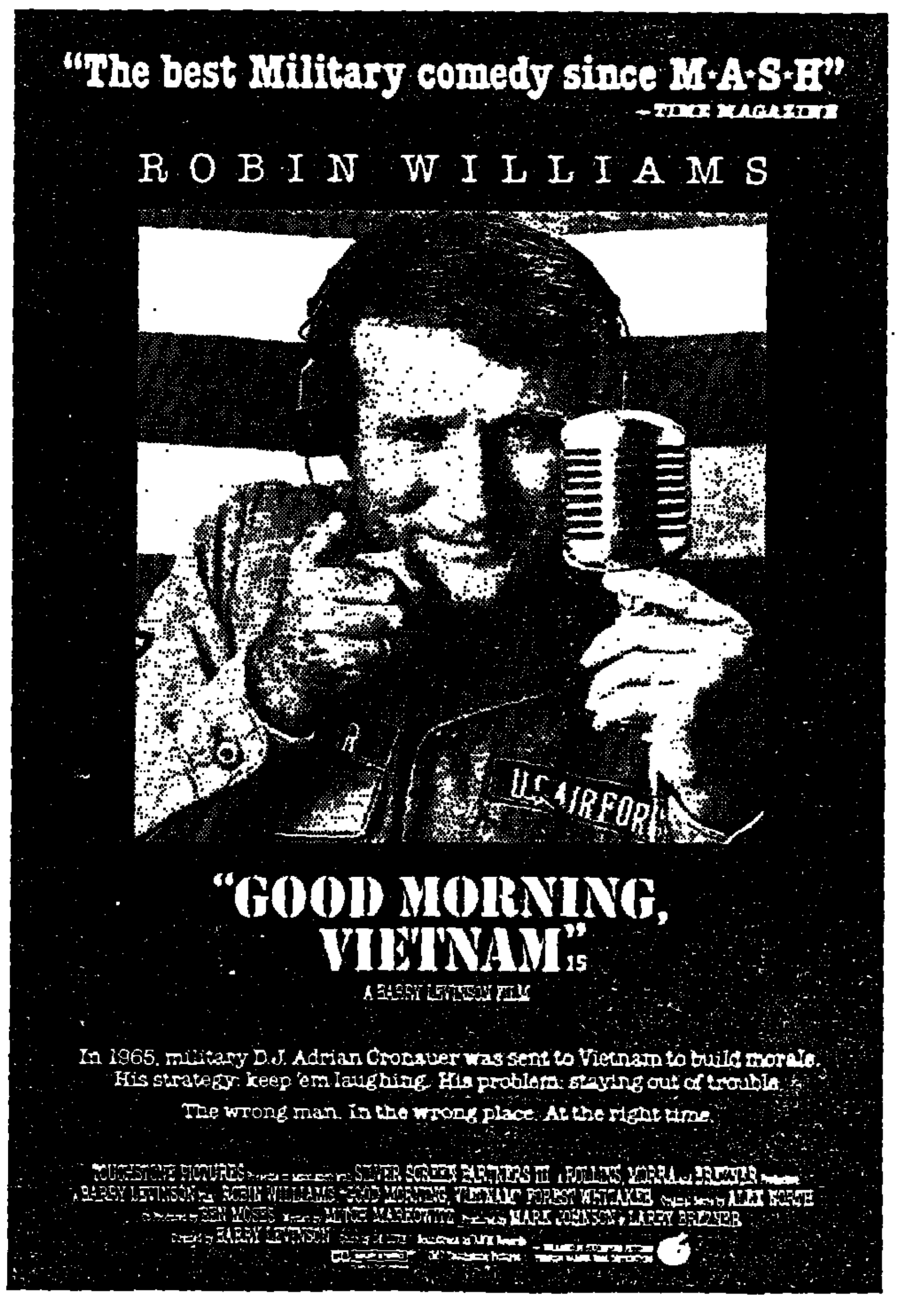

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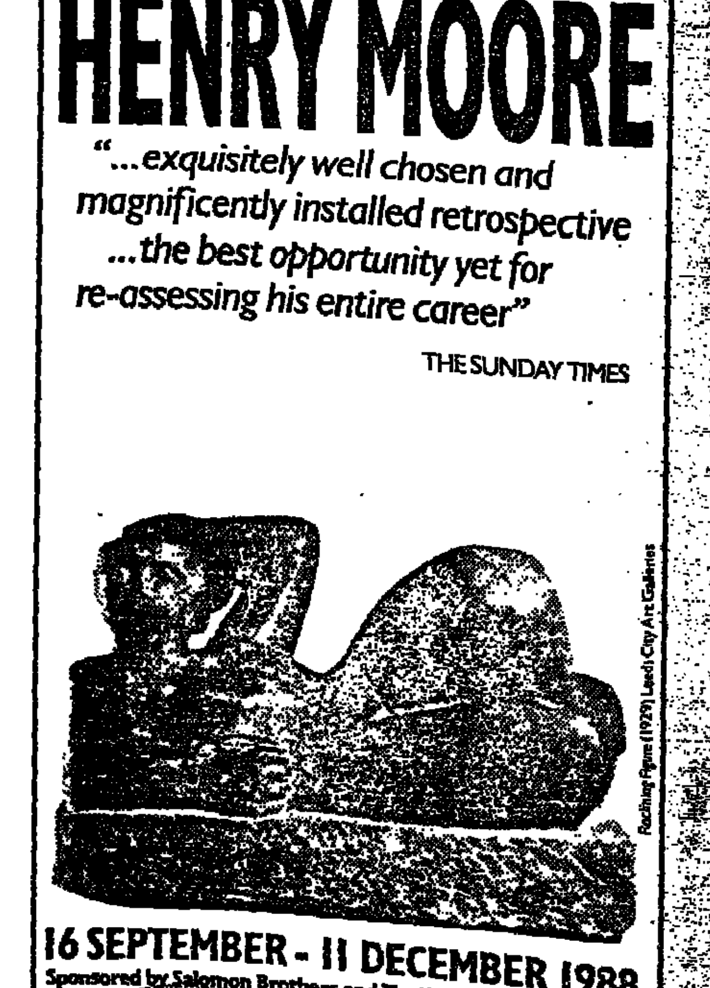

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DENZIL McNEELANCE

Good companions: Sue Townsend (left) and director Sue Pomeroy, drawing attention to the plight of the "extraordinarily wonderful" Health Service

A mole in the NHS

Sue Townsend, creator of Adrian Mole, is turning her writing talents to the NHS, Victoria McKee reports

Sue Townsend feels supremely qualified to write a play about the National Health Service. The 42-year-old creator of Adrian Mole had a heart attack at 39, and has been in and out of NHS hospitals over the years with everything from tuberculosis of the stomach to an abscessed submandibular gland — not to mention four births and a torn placenta.

"Basically I'm extremely healthy," says Townsend, who is also an insulin-dependent diabetic. "It's just that my body lets me down from time to time and in between periods of extreme healthiness I have these major breakdowns because I don't listen to my body's messages to slow down — which I think is particularly a woman's problem."

During a break in rebearsals for *Ear, Nose and Throat* — her play about the breakdown of the NHS, which is being sponsored to the tune of £30,000 jointly by the health service unions NUPE and NALGO — she puffs on a forbidden cigarette, and talks of the need to save the health service.

"We are the envy of the world for our health service, and aren't crippled by fears and debts like they are in the United States," she says. "BUPA can do your gall bladder or your nose job, but if you're in a car accident or having a heart attack you *need* the NHS."

She deplores the way the service is crumbling — in places quite literally, like the intensive care unit of the antiquated hospital in Groby Road, Leicester, where small bits of plaster dropped on her bed.

"I think this year is the turning point for the NHS, and anything that raises money for it or draws attention to its plight just has to be good," Townsend says. "Do you know that when I was in the intensive care unit the nurses had to pinch rubber gloves, cotton wool and other necessities — and would come back triumphantly from other wards with them?"

This is one of the points which is made in her play, a somewhat macabre comedy starring Miriam Karlin, Georgina Hale, David Yip and Don Warrington, and directed by Townsend's friend Sue Pomeroy.

Pomeroy, in fact, could be credited with discovering Townsend in Leicester's local writer's group, where her earliest writings had to do with her experiences in the health service. "The first thing she wrote was a play about a gynaecology clinic. It was called *Boomerang*, and we did it at the Haymarket." Pomeroy recalls. "As soon as I read it I realized that this was an extraordinary talent."

Townsend and Pomeroy are both founder members of Good Company, a project-funded theatre group now in its second year, which is producing *Ear, Nose and Throat*. "Because the Arts Council has a tight budget and wasn't able to support this production, I decided the way to get it on was to go to regional companies and look for sponsorship," Pomeroy says. "The Tyne Theatre and Opera House decided to co-produce it, and we open there on October 6. We had approached a lot of businesses which we thought might be interested in offering sponsorship, when Bill Ash, a member of the company which originally decided to do *Boomerang*, said 'What about the unions?'

"NUPE came back to us and, because they are hoping to amalgamate with NALGO and wanted a high profile, suggested a joint sponsorship. But they certainly didn't exercise any editorial control."

Bill Gilby of NUPE says there has already been a tremendous response among the two unions' one and a half million members, who are being offered discounts on tickets. He says the unions "are setting up an exhibition outlining the union point of view on NHS cuts, which will be displayed in the theatres where it plays".

Townsend originally wrote the play, then called *The Day Room*, eight years ago, long before her heart attack, as a reaction to the closure of mental hospitals. But it was felt to be particularly timely now, she says, with the Government considering tax incentives and other initiatives to make private health care a more attractive alternative.

The action takes place at Christmas time in a rundown Victorian hospital, in the day room of an ear, nose and throat ward threatened with closure. A broad spectrum of issues from homelessness to police harassment are touched on as a doughty old nurse battles against the odds — and the oddballs — to save her ward, which becomes symbolic of the health service as a whole.

Townsend draws on another cigarette and protests that she hardly smokes at all these days compared with her pre-heart attack, 60-a-day quota. "I've always felt life is a farce. At least mine is. When I went in for my heart attack — standing in the queue at Casualty behind people with cut fingers because we're so polite, we English — a nurse said to me, 'how embarrassing for you: you've got the same name as that silly woman who wrote those silly books' — and then my main fear was that she would find out I *was* that silly woman.

"They are extraordinarily wonderful people in the health service, who manage to keep laughing throughout. I hope some of that comes across in this play. I know nurses aren't all angels, and I've seen some terrible mistakes, awful, awful farce — twins were born prematurely and not one of the staff would believe the woman who said she was about to give birth, so we, the patients, pulled them out and laid them on the radiator — but you can't expect any more."

Townsend is working on a film about a shoe fetishist ("If I ever end up in the bankruptcy court it will be because of shoes," she sighs, involuntarily glancing down at her slim, black suede courts). But she is still needed at rehearsals for *Ear, Nose and Throat*. There was a line, spoken by a battling ward sister — supposedly a staunch supporter of Conservative policies — that went: "Mrs Thatcher's obviously not well. I suspect she's suffering from feminine difficulties, causing her to display a lack of judgment covering the funding of the NHS. She is not in her right mind." It was considered sexist, Townsend says, and has now been changed to: "...suffering from a brain malfunction..." But the sentiment stands.

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Unsporting race for a moral lead

BARBARA AMIEL

When you're not a winner any more, the rush for the door is indecent in its haste

Minutes after Ben Johnson won the one hundred metres race in Seoul, Canada's Prime Minister, Brian Mulroney, *was on the telephone congratulating him*. The Canadian press mirrored the enthusiasms of the country. "Big Ben," wrote Canada's veteran sports writer George Gross, comparing the runner to the clock; "the name has a special ring to it, a ring of historic and athletic majesty. But what of its namesake, the Black Pearl of Canada? Awesome!"

Hours after he lost the gold medal Johnson was being vilified as a shameful cheat. In Ottawa, the Canadian government announced that he would be banned for life from national teams. An investigation was to be set up into the circumstances of the case, but for good measure the federal subsidy of 650 Canadian dollars a month Johnson received as an A-carded athlete had been stopped. There's something wrong here, I thought.

As I understand it, all that the tests in Seoul reveal is that there were steroids in Johnson. Laboratory tests do not reveal how they got there. They do not show whether Johnson knew he was taking them. The tests seem to rule out the theory that Johnson was sabotaged by having been fed the steroids shortly before his urine sample was examined, but that's for adversarial experts to determine. Medical opinion about how steroids are stored and how they surface in bodily fluids seems to vary. An ex-member of the *Hungarian police muttered* darkly that Johnson was a victim of a North Korean plot to ruin the Olympics.

"They don't want to do it with violence and discredit themselves," he said. "They prefer to discredit the athletes." That seemed a bit *outlandish to me, but I suppose it has to be considered.*

Whatever the truth, since the taking of steroids is banned by the Olympic Games, Johnson had to lose the medal no matter the circumstances. But pending further investigation, it *seemed a bit thick to take* these laboratory results as an ultimate judgement on his sportsmanship and integrity. For those people who have nostalgic views about the presumption of innocence or about trial before verdict and punishment, the notion of the Canadian government dishing out sanctions to Johnson before so much as the first notebook opens in an inquiry is unfair. To my mind it is, well, not sportsmanlike.

Understandably, having a vague notion of human nature I wouldn't be surprised if Johnson had been hurling every potion known to mankind *into his body. Wouldn't* you for a million pounds? Last Monday's Canadian newspapers featured a full page advertisement with four sketches of Ben in flying form: "You're a winner, Ben," said the copy. "You did it. Today, you stand alone, on top of the world. *And we at Toshiba are* proud to be there behind you." When you're not a winner any more, the rush for the door is indecent in its haste and Toshiba and similar sponsors were quickly on the moral high ground while muttering about getting money back from the disgraced athlete.

Of course, for a very long time now athletes haven't had a shred of resemblance to normal human beings. They have been using such outlandish techniques of training and diet, vitamins and chemicals, that they seem like some peculiar form of gladiator. They are supra-human, I tell myself, as I watch a top *performance athlete perform* on a level that has no connection at all with ordinary amateur sports. A Carl Lewis or any East German athlete has as much relationship to ordinary participants in sport as a formula one racing car bears to my four-cylinder Golf. Most teams have long dropped the pretence of amateurism.

I suppose steroids are *banned on the grounds that* they are dangerous and are an artificial stimulant, but I could see a respectable argument being made in answer to this: competitive sports have reached such a peak that the sort of punishing training an athlete must do is clearly unhealthy anyway. It is not moderate exercise or even hard exercise that produces the cut of muscle on runners Heike Drechsler or Linford Christie. *It is insane regimes* of weight-lifting and training. As well, there are all sorts of physical risks in sports from weightlifting to boxing or skiing. It seems hypocritical to ban one risk and one substance when others are accepted.

Meanwhile Ben Johnson sits in Toronto, waiting one supposes for the bank of photographers and television cameras *to disperse from his* front lawn. The Canadian government, long in the business of giving Sweden a run for its money as the conscience of the world, has veered between sorrow and anger at the scandal. It was, after all, only last summer that the Canadian government hosted the first international conference on anti-doping in sport. "Ben Johnson, how could you?" is the most commonly heard response from officials and commentators.

Well, I don't know the answer to that. In fact, the only way anyone can is by an inquiry establishing exactly what did happen. Till then, perhaps it's not out of order to remind the Canadian government, as they slap sanctions on their tarnished son, that if you are going to condemn someone for unfairness in competition, you are obliged to be fair to that person in the first place.

Wedded to the small screen

Husband and wife presenters may be good for television — but are they good for marriage?

On Monday, Judy Finnegan and Richard Madeley begin presenting a new nationwide morning television programme for Granada. For 90 minutes every working day, the two of them will front *This Morning* live, smiling into cameras, quizzing celebrities. They will be introducing an agony aunt, a resident doctor, and design and a number of how-to experts.

What is not on the agenda is the question of how a marriage stands up to 24-hours-a-day togetherness, for Finnegan and Madeley are not only husband and wife but have four small children under eleven (including twins).

The programme finishes at 12.10pm. Then there is an inquest and a production meeting to discuss the next day's offering. This complete, Finnegan and Madeley will drive the 30-odd miles to their home in Manchester and take over from their young nanny. How are they going to give their children sufficient love and attention, and stay sane?

Appropriately, an item on the first programme is about working mothers, with one mother declaring that going to work when you have small children is wrong. "We have a psychologist who winds up the discussion by saying it doesn't matter as long as the quality of childcare and of the relationship with the children is good," Finnegan says with relief. But she acknowledges they are going to have to play it by ear.

"We'll have to have rules. There will be the temptation to talk about the programme but we'll have to make it a taboo subject at home . . . We didn't have children in order to ignore them."

Madeley and Finnegan: no time to consider all the what-ifs

Another television husband and wife couple who present the same programme are John Stapleton and Lynn Faulds Wood, who start their new 30-programme *Watchdog* series on BBC1 on the same day. They have a one-year-old son.

"It would be very difficult if we didn't have a superb live-in nanny for Nicholas," Stapleton says. He thinks there is the potential for creative conflict when both partners are on the same programme. "But on the other hand, if you want to let off steam about someone who has got up your nostrils your partner knows what you're talking about."

Madeley and Finnegan are shelving the problem of what happens if the nanny falls ill. "God knows. She's very good, has been with us a year and hasn't been sick yet," Finnegan touches wood. "And she's willing to stay until we get home." So far, life has been such a hectic rush that they have not had time to consider all the "what-ifs".

Granada is delighted to have won the spot in open competition with other networks. "I think it was because they thought our pilot was warm and friendly, and the fact that Richard and I are married emphasizes the family feeling," Finnegan says. "Viewers can identify with us. I think the producers would have liked our family to be involved more but the twins would be horrified — they're anxious now that we do nothing to embarrass them, particularly as they've just started a new school."

She does not anticipate conflict. "We have a good rapport, we know we'll be hyped up after the programme, but in a way that defuses any prospect of a row. The main problem will be trying not to talk TV all the time."

And keeping nanny happy and healthy.

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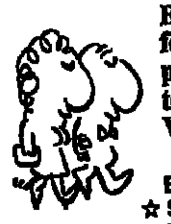

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★ **MRS KLEIN:** New Nicholas Wright play centring on a domestic tragedy in the life of psychoanalyst Melanie Klein.
National Theatre (Cottesloe), South Bank, SE1 (01-928 2252). Tube: Waterloo. In repertory 7.30pm, £5.50-£7.50. (D)

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WORD-WATCHING

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SEPTENTRIONAL
(b) To do with the Great Bear or Big Dipper, and thus northern, from the Latin *septemseven* + *triones* plural of *trio*, a plough-ox: "Well, no, we are all septentrional here, all a bit cool."

LUCULLAN
(b) Pertaining to or characteristic of Lucius Licinius Lucullus, a Roman notorious for his wealth and the profuse luxury of his browsing and sluicing: "Mrs Cullinane's Lucullan urges were an embarrassment to herself. She blushed for being such a hog."

CHIN MUSIC
(a) Talk, especially inconsequential chatter, phatic speech, chitchat; S.J. Perelman: "After endless chin music calculated to allay her trepidation."

GUNNEL
(b) A small, slimy, elongate marine blenny found on both sides of the Atlantic, the *Centronotus* or *Muraenoides gunnellus*, the butter-fish: "The Butter-Fish or Gunnel sometimes attains the length of six inches . . . is taken frequently on the Cornish coast."

OUT OF TOWN

STRATFORD-UPON-AVON: ☆ **Henry VI:** Ralph Fiennes stars in the RSC's Henry VI directed by Adrian Noble as part of the *Plantagenets* trilogy.
Royal Shakespeare Theatre, (0789 295623). In repertory with *The Rise of Edward IV* and *Richard III, His Death,* 7.30pm, £4.50-£27.50. (D)

SCARBOROUGH: ☆ **The Man of the Moment:** Ayckbourn's sharp new comedy about modern heroes: ex-bankclerk meets ex-bankrobber in a villa on the Med.
Stephen-Joseph Theatre-in-the-Round, Valley Bridge Parade (0723 370541). Tues-Sat 7.30pm, mat Sat 4pm, £4.80. In repertory with *The Ballroom* until Oct 29. (D)

FILMS

■ **Also on national release**
☎ **Advance booking possible**

■ **BEETLEJUICE (15):** Michael Keaton steals the scenes as a ghost in a supernatural comedy. Tim Burton directs (92 min).
Cannon Baker Street (01-935 9772). Progs 1.40, 4.00, 6.20, 8.40.
☎ **Cannon Fulham Road** (01-370 2636). Progs 1.55, 4.15, 6.40, 9.05.
Cannon Oxford Street (01-636 0310). Progs 1.30, 3.55, 6.15, 8.40.
☎ **Warner West End** (01-439 0791). Progs 2.20, 4.25, 6.30, 8.40.

BIG BUSINESS (PG): Farcical comedy re-working the Comedy of Errors plot, with Bette Midler and Lily Tomlin as two mismatched sets of identical twins.
Cannon Chelsea (01-352 5096). Progs 1.35, 4.00, 6.30, 9.35.
Odeon Kensington (01-602 6644). Progs 1.40, 4.00, 6.20, 8.40.
Odeon Swiss Cottage (01-722 5905). Progs 2.10, 4.15, 6.30, 8.50.
☎ **Warner West End** (01-439 0791). Progs 2.20, 4.25, 6.30, 8.40.

BUSTER (15): Singer Phil Collins makes his cinema debut in a film surveying the life and loves of Buster Edwards of Great Train Robbery fame (102 min).
☎ **Odeon Leicester Square** (01-930 6111). Progs 12.40, 3.15, 6.00, 8.40.

■ **COMING TO AMERICA (15):** Eddie Murphy as a pampered foreign prince who comes to America to select his own bride. (116 min).
☎ **Cannon Fulham Road** (01-370 2636). Progs 2.15, 6.20, 9.15.
☎ **Plaza** (01-200 0200). Progs 2.00, 4.30, 7.00, 9.30.

DROWNING BY NUMBERS (18): Three generations of women, all called Cissie Colpitts, become involved with a coroner (118 min).
☎ **Gate** (01-727 4043). Progs 1.30, 3.45, 6.20, 8.45.
☎ **Lumiere** (01-836 0691). Progs 1.15, 3.40, 6.10, 8.40.

FRANTIC (15): Roman Polanski's latest film — a conventional mystery drama with Harrison Ford.
☎ **Cannon Fulham Road** (01-370 2636). Progs 2.00, 6.30, 9.15.
Cannon Tottenham Court Road (01-636 6148). Progs 2.25, 5 10, 8.00.
☎ **Screen on Baker Street** (01-935 2772). Progs 3.45, 6.30, 8.45.
☎ **Warner West End** (01-439 0791). Progs 12.50 (not Sun), 3.25, 6.00, 8.35.

THE LAST TEMPTATION OF CHRIST (18): Martin Scorsese's long, controversial, stylistically jumbled version of Nikos Kazantzakis's novel (163 min).
☎ **Cannon Fulham Road** (01-370 2636). Progs 1.40, 5.15, 8.45.
☎ **Cannon Shaftesbury Avenue** (01-836 8861). Progs 12.50 (not Sun), 4.00, 7.30.
☎ **Plaza** (01-437 1234). Progs 2.15, 5.30, 8.45.

POLTERGEIST III (15): Routine reworking of familiar situations, with the late Heather O'Rourke experiencing more poltergeist trouble in a Chicago high rise. Directed by Gary Sherman.
Cannon, Baker Street (01-935 9772). Progs 1.30, 3.45, 6.00, 8.25.
Cannon, Chelsea (01-352 5096). Progs 1.45, 4.50, 7.10, 9.35.
☎ **Cannon, Fulham Road** (01-370 2636). From Fri. Progs 2.00, 4.30, 6.55, 9.15.
☎ **Empire** (01-437 1234). Progs 2.15, 4.30, 7.00, 9.15.

THE RUNNING MAN (18): Shallow futuristic thriller, with Arnold Schwarzenegger as an escaped prisoner forced to appear on a gladiatorial TV game show.
Odeon West End (01-930 5252). Progs 1.15, 3.40, 6.10, 8.45.
Odeon Marble Arch (01-723 2011). Progs 1.15, 3.45, 6.15, 8.45.

A WORLD APART (PG): Barbara Hershey as a liberal journalist fighting apartheid.
☎ **Curzon West End** (01-439 4805). Progs 1.00, 3.30, 6.10, 8.50.

TOP FILMS AND VIDEOS

LONDON:

1	(1)	Buster
2	(–)	The Running Man
3	(2)	Frantic
4	(3)	The Last Temptation of Christ
5	(4)	Coming to America
6	(–)	Poltergeist III
7	(5)	Big Business
8	(6)	Drowning by Numbers
9	(8)	A World Apart
10	(7)	Beetlejuice

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OUTSIDE LONDON:

1	Frantic
2	Beetlejuice
3	Big Business
4	Biloxi Blues
5	Buster

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UNITED STATES:

1	(–)	Dead Ringers
2	(1)	A Fish Called Wanda
3	(2)	Die Hard
4	(6)	Who Framed Roger Rabbit
5	(8)	Cocktail
6	( )	Nightmare on Elm Street IV
7	(7)	Young Guns
8	(3)	Moon Over Parador
9	(6)	Betrayed
10	(–)	Kansas

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VIDEO RENTALS:

1	Dragnet
2	Heat
3	Masters of the Universe
4	The Boy who could fly
5	Spaceballs

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Cheltenham authors: from left, Clive Swift, Eleanor Bron, Seamus Heaney, celebrating T.S. Eliot's centenary with lectures and poetry readings

Cheltenham shows its spine

The Cheltenham Festival of Literature opens tomorrow and runs until October 16, with well over 100 events covering every ridge, furrow, menhir and molehill in the field of the written (and spoken) word. It started in 1949 with a couple of seriously academic lectures. It has now become the world's largest literary lake in which elephants can swim and lambs can paddle. It kicks off tomorrow in Stanway Tithe Barn (the festival has long burst the banks of Cheltenham, and spread all over Gloucestershire) with an improvisation and amendment of *Peter Pan* by an Oxford children's theatre group. The T.S. Eliot centenary will be celebrated in diverse ways, ranging from a lecture by Seamus Heaney to Eleanor Bron and Clive Swift reading *Four Quartets* interspersed with a string quartet. Numerous authors who have published books this year will discuss them, and flog signed copies on the side afterwards over tea. Aged bibliophiles such as Michael Foot and Lord Rees-Mogg will pontificate about their very different approaches to the book. For the next fortnight anyone within 30 miles of Cheltenham runs a serious risk of being emoted to death by romantic novelists, rhymed by concrete poets, autographed by TV celebrities, and booked by others than the persistent Cheltenham traffic wardens. Box office: Town Hall, Imperial Square, Cheltenham, Gloucestershire (0242 523690).

Philip Howard

CONCERTS

MORNING

☆ **SCHUBERT ENDS:** St James's Schubert in September series finishes with Christine Townsend and Stephen Robbings playing the Sonata D 574 for violin and piano.
St James's, 197 Piccadilly, London W1 (01-734 4511), 1.10pm, free.

EVENING

☆ **ROBERTS RECITAL:** Paul Roberts, an excellent pianist, performs preludes by Debussy (Book 1) and Maurice Ohana, Chopin's Ballades Nos 1 and 3, Nocturnes Op 62 and Polonaise-Fantasy Op 61.
Wigmore Hall, 36 Wigmore St, London W1 (01-935 2141), 7.30pm, £3-£6. (D)

☆ **STERLING START:** A new Bristol string quartet series begins with the Sterling Quartet playing Haydn's Quartet Op 64 No 5 "The Lark," Mozart's K 421 and Mendelssohn's Op 44 No 2.
St George's, Charlotte St, Brandon Hill, Bristol (0272 230359), 7.30pm, £4.50.

☆ **SINFONIA 30TH:** The Northern Sinfonia begin their 30th anniversary series with Richard Hickox conducting them in Bizet's youthful Symphony in C, Beethoven's Piano Concerto No 5 "Emperor" (John Lill, soloist) and, with the Sinfonia Chorus, Haydn's *Te Deum* and Fauré's Pavane.
City Hall, College St, Newcastle (091 261 9089), 7.45pm, £2.50-£9. (D)

ROCK

☆ **CLIFF RICHARD:** Start of a UK tour to celebrate the 30th anniversary of his pop singing career.
Kings Hall, Balmoral, Belfast (0232 665225) 7.30pm, £13.50. (D)

☆ **JOAN ARMATRADING:** Continuing the second UK leg of her current world tour to promote a typically reflective album, *The Shouting Stage.*
Hammersmith Odeon, Queen Caroline St, London W6 (01-748 4081) 7.30pm, £10.50-£12.50, for four nights. (D)

★ **ROBERT PALMER:** The "Simply Irresistible" expatriate libertine with a show that swings from heavy metal to bossa nova.
Manchester Apollo, Ardwick Green (061 273 3775) 7.30pm, £8.50-£9.50. (D)

JAZZ

☆ **BETTY CARTER:** She continues her annual residency with her trio, opposite the Martin Speake Quartet.
Ronnie Scott's Club, 47 Frith St, London W1 (01-439 0747), 9.30pm, £10 (members £6)

☆ **COURTNEY PINE:** His latest dates coincide with the release of an EP of Coltranesque ballads.
Soho Jazz Festival, Astoria Theatre, 157 Charing Cross Rd, London WC1 (01-434 0403/4), 8.30pm, £6.50.

☆ **TREVOR WATTS/LOL COXHILL:** Opening date of a double-duet tour. Watts appears with drummer Liam Genocky; soprano sax player Coxhill with bassist Dave Green.
Studio Theatre, Parkshot Centre, Richmond, Surrey (01-940 0170), 8pm, £2-£4. (D)

☆ **PERSUASION 'A':** Simon Fell's sextet, inspired by early Ornette Coleman, includes pianist Keith Tippett.
Cambridge Modern Jazz Club, Flambards, Rose Crescent (info 0223 62550), 8pm, £4. Concessions £3.

DANCE

☆ **DON QUIXOTE:** A new production for Northern Ballet Theatre.
Empire, Lime St, Liverpool (051 7091555), 7.30-10.30pm, Tues 7.15pm, £5-£10. (D)

☆ **I AM CURIOUS, ORANGE:** Michael Clark's latest show; music by The Fall on stage.
Sadler's Wells, Rosebery Ave, London EC1 (01-278 8916), 7.30-10pm, £3.50-£12.50.(D)

Gloria Hunniford (above) is one of many personalities broadcasting live from The Radio Show, which celebrates the 21st anniversary of the launch of Radios 1, 2, 3 and 4 (see Other Events). Opening tomorrow at Earls Court, the show is partly a nostalgic wallow through the past, with lots of old wireless sets and reminders of famous radio voices. But there is also emphasis on radio today. Visitors can inspect two studios and watch programmes being transmitted.

OPERA

★ **DON GIOVANNI:** Kent Opera start their new touring season tonight with a revival of Mozart's opera, now with Peter Knapp and Jill Gomez.
Orchard Theatre, Dartford (0322 343333), 7.30-10.30pm, £8-£15. (D)

GALLERIES

20TH CENTURY BRITISH ART FAIR: A showcase for 50 specialist dealers.
Cumberland Art Gallery, Marble Arch, London W1 (01-371 1703), Today 12-9pm then 11-7pm, £5, until Oct 4.

WHITECHAPEL OPEN: An annual exhibition of works by East End artists selected from over 2,000 entries.
Whitechapel Art Gallery, Whitechapel High St, London E1 (01-377 0107). Tues-Sun 11-5pm, free, until Nov 6.

FRED CUMING RA: Recent landscape paintings.
Gallery 10, 10 Grosvenor St, London W1 (01-491 8103), Mon-Fri 10-5.30pm, Sat 10-1pm, free, until Oct 21.

HENRY MOORE 1898-1986: A major retrospective of sculpture, drawings and prints.
Royal Academy of Arts, Piccadilly, London W1 (01-439 7438), Daily 10-6pm, £3.50, until Dec 11.

HENRY MOORE: Selected sculpture and drawings.
Marlborough Fine Art, Albemarle St, London W1 (01-629 5161), Mon-Fri 10-5.30pm, Sat 10-12.30pm, free, until Oct 14.

OTHER EVENTS

BURTON AGNES HALL ANTIQUES FAIR: Exhibition of quality antiques (most to pre-1885 datelines) in the state room of this late 16th century house.
Burton Agnes Hall, near Driffield, Humberside. Today 1-8pm, tomorrow 11am-6pm, Sun 11am-5pm. Admission £1.50.

THE RADIO SHOW: See caption.
Earls Court, Warwick Rd, London SW5. Mon-Sat noon-10pm, Sun 11am-10pm. Admission £5, reductions for students and parties. From tomorrow until Oct 9.

WALKS

A CITY IN THE BLITZ AND CHURCHILL'S CABINET WAR ROOMS: meet Westminster tube, 2.30pm, £5.80.

GHOSTS, GHOULS AND HAUNTED TAVERNS: meet St Paul's tube, 7pm, £3.

THE BURIED CITY — LONDON BENEATH THE STREETS: meet Blackfriars tube, 11.30am, £3.

BOOKINGS

FIRST CHANCE

MAIDA VALE INVITATION CONCERTS: Booking for five concerts in Studio 1, Delaware Road, London W9, including first UK performances of works by Peter Lieberson, Keith Gifford, Paul Ruders. Also work by Havergal Brian and Robert Saxton. Oct 23-Nov 23.
BBC Ticket unit, Broadcasting House, London W1A 1AA (01-580 4468).

LAST CHANCE

HAROLD SAMUEL COLLECTION: Collection of 83 17th-century Dutch paintings including Jacob van Ruisdael, Jan van de Velde, Pieter de Hooch, Frans Hals, Jan Steen, Brueghel and Van Goyen. Ends Sunday.
Barbican, Silk St, London EC2 (01-638 4141).

TITUS ANDRONICUS: Final performances of RSC production, with Brian Cox, directed by Deborah Warner. 2pm and 7.30pm tomorrow.
The Pit, Barbican, Silk Street, London EC2 (01-638 8891).

Theatre: Jeremy Kingston; Films: Geoff Brown; Concerts: Max Harrison; Opera: Hilary Finch; Rock: David Sinclair; Jazz: Clive Davis; Dance: John Percival; Galleries: David Lee; Walks and Talks: Greta Carslaw; Other Events: Judy Froshaug; Bookings: Anne Whitehouse.

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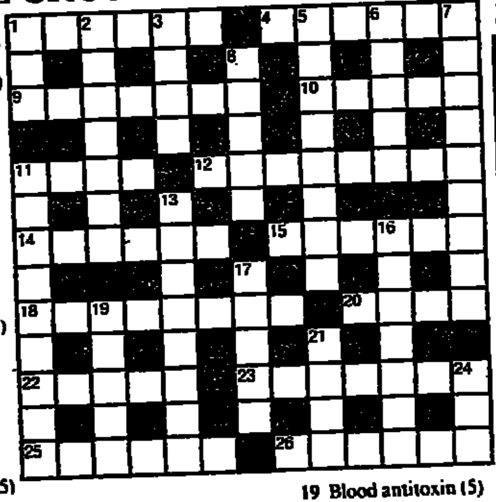

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15 Small restaurant (6)
18 Out of date (8)
20 Select (4)
22 Big (5)
23 Lentigo (7)
25 Institutional resident (6)
26 Wobble (6)

DOWN
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2 Sluggish, inactive (7)
3 At that time (4)
5 Book supplement (8)
6 Natural wood pattern (5)
7 Dull preparation (9)
8 International banker (5)
11 Common people (3,6)
17 Flagpole (5)
19 Blood antitoxin (5)
21 Gala (4)
24 Make mistake (3)

SOLUTION TO NO 1680
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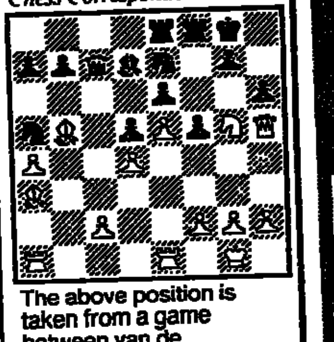
WINNING MOVE

By Raymond Keene, Chess Correspondent



The above position is taken from a game between van de Oudeweetering (White) and Jolles (Black) played in the 1988 Netherlands Open Championship. White plays and wins. The winning move will be given in tomorrow's *Times.*

Solution to yesterday's position: White wins with 1 Ng6+

Solution to Wednesday's position: White wins with 1 Qxd7+.

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ENTERTAINMENTS

OPERA & BALLET

COLISEUM S 836 3161 cc 240 5258. ENGLISH NATIONAL OPERA Ton't 8.00 (last perf) Tosca. Tomor 7.00 Carmen.

GLYNDEBOURNE TOURING OPERA Sussex Season at Glyndebourne opens Oct 4. BOX OFFICE (0273) 541111 Some seats still available for Janacek's KATYA KABANOVA 4,6,11,14, Oct, 7.30. "Glyndebourne's New Hit" S Tel "Enthralling" S Tms. Tickets £16/£20. Possible returns only for La Traviata & Die Entführung aus dem Serail

ROYAL OPERA HOUSE 240 1066/1911. Stdby info 836 6903. S CC 65 amphi seats avail on the day. Ton't 7.30 THE ROYAL OPERA Turandot. Tomor 8.00 Das Rheingold.

SADLERS WELLS 278 8916 First Call CC 24 hr 7 day 240 7200 Eves 7.30 MICHAEL CLARK & COMPANY.

THEATRES

ALDWYCH 836 6404/0641 CC 379 6233/741 9999 First Call 836 3464 (Bkg Fee) Mon-Fri Evenings 7.30 Mats Wed 3.0 Sats 5.0 & 8.30 ROWAN ATKINSON TIMOTHY WEST CHERYL CAMPBELL in THE SNEEZE Plays & Stories by Anton Chekhov Adapted by Michael Frayn Directed by Ronald Eyre

ALMEIDA THEATRE (01.359 4404 or 01.226 4488cc Mon-Sat 10am-6pm) ROYAL SHAKESPEARE COMPANY FINAL PERFORMANCES!!! Ton't 7.30, Tomor 2.00 & 7.30 Seneca's OEDIPUS adapted by Ted Hughes. 'HYPNOTICALLY COMPELLING' D.Tel.

ARTS S 836 2132: CC 379 4444 24 hrs, 7 days (no bkg fee) Hull Truck in John Godber's TEECHERS "TALES OUT OF SCHOOL" The Guardian. "MARVELLOUSLY FUNNY" The Times Mon-Thur 8, Fri & Sat 6.30 & 9 Stud., UB40's, Snr.Cits £1.50 off 1 hr before perf.

ADELPHI 836 7611 or 240 7913 /4 CC 741 9999/ 836 7358/ 379 4444 First call 24hr cc 240 7200 (no bkg fee) Groups 930 6123 NOW BOOKING TO APRIL '89 ME AND MY GIRL THE LAMBETH WALK MUSICAL Nightly at 7.30 Mats Wed at 2.30 & Sat 4.30 & 8.00 "THE HAPPIEST SHOW IN TOWN" S Express

ALBERY 867 1116 cc 867 1111 379 4444 (No bkg fee)/741 9999 240 7200 (Bkg fee) Grps 867 1113 BEST MUSICAL SWET Award 1983 WILLY RUSSELL'S BLOOD BROTHERS Starring KIKI DEE "ASTONISHING...A Milestone in British Musicals" S Exp "THRILLING, ORIGINAL and IMPORTANT...Brings the audience to its feet, and roaring its approval" D Mail Eves 7.45 Mats Thurs 3 Sat 4

APOLLO Shaftes. Ave. 01-437 2663 CCTB 01-741 9999 (No Bkg Fee) Open All Hours 01 379 4444 (No Bkg Fee) Grp Sls 01 930 6123 WENDY HILLER BARRY FOSTER CLARKE PETERS in DRIVING MISS DAISY by Alfred Uhry Winner! 1988 Pulitzer Prize 'A Magical Performance' S.Tel Evgs. Mon-Sat 8.00 Mats. Sat 5.00

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BOULEVARD Berwick St Soho W1. Sept 20 - Oct 15 Tel: 01 434 1236 CANDIDA by G B Shaw JULIA FOSTER RICHARD GIBSON VICTOR MADDERN PETER PACEY Perfs Evgs 7.45 Sat Mat 4.00

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COMEDY THEATRE Panton St. SW1 01-930 2578 Previews Oct 28,29,31 Nov 1 & 2 at 8.00 Matinee Sat Oct 29 at 4.00 First Night Nov 3 at 7.00 ALEC GUINNESS EDWARD HERRMANN in A WALK IN THE WOODS by LEE BLESSING Direct by RONALD EYRE Evgs. Tues-Sat 8.00 Mats Wed at 3.00 Sats at 4.00 cc First Call 7 day 24-hr 01-240 7200 (Bkg Fee) Open All Hours 01-379 4444 (Bkg Fee) CCTB 01-741 9999 (Bkg Fee)

CAMBRIDGE 379 5299 cc no bkg fee 741 9999/ 24hr bkg fee 240 7200/379 4444 Groups 930 6123 NOW BOOKING ADAM FAITH ANITA DOBSON BUDGIE The Musical. Opens October 18. Previews from October 4

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DOMINION (01) 580 9562 JIM DAVIDSON in CINDERELLA with SHERRIE HEWSON GEORGE SEWELL Opens Dec 17th for 5 wks.

DONMAR WAREHOUSE 240 8230 CC 867 1111/379 4444 PERRIER PICK OF THE FRINGE Until 1 Oct 7pm Communicado BLOOD WEDDING. 9.15 JEREMY HARDY. 11.15 THE FRONT LAWN. 3-8 Oct Hull Truck SALT OF THE EARTH/Roy Hutchins WHALE NATION/DOUG ANTHONY ALLSTARS.

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GLOBE THEATRE 01 437 3667/ 741 9999, First Call 836 3464 (bkg fee). MAGGIE SMITH MARGARET TYZACK in LETTICE AND LOVAGE a new comedy by PETER SHAFFER with RICHARD PEARSON directed by MICHAEL BLAKEMORE Evgs 7.45. Sat Mat 3.00

FORTUNE 836 2238/240 1514 CC 741 9999 First Call 836 3464 (Bkg Fee) Evenings 8.0 Sats 5.00 & 8.30 MAUREEN LIPMAN in RE: JOYCE! Adapted from the works of JOYCE GRENFELL with Denis King Directed by Alan Strachan

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GREENWICH THEATRE 01-858 7755. cc 01 853 3800 (no bkg fee) Evenings 7.45 Mats Sat 2.30 CAPTAIN CARVALLO by Denis Cannan. "A rip-roaring tale of romance" Time Out. "Wonderfully funny" Times. From Oct 6 THE MILLIONAIRESS by George Bernard Shaw.

HAMPSTEAD 722 9301 HEDDA GABLER Previews from 7 Oct

HAYMARKET THEATRE ROYAL Box Office & cc 01-930 9832 First Call 24 hour 7 day cc bkgs on 01 240 7200 (Bkg Fee) REX HARRISON EDWARD FOX "Raise the Roof" D Exp. "Subtle, Powerful, Tender" Obs in J.M. BARRIE'S "Mischievous...Courageous Comedy" Sun Exp. THE ADMIRABLE CRICHTON Evgs 8.00. Mats Weds & Sats 3.00

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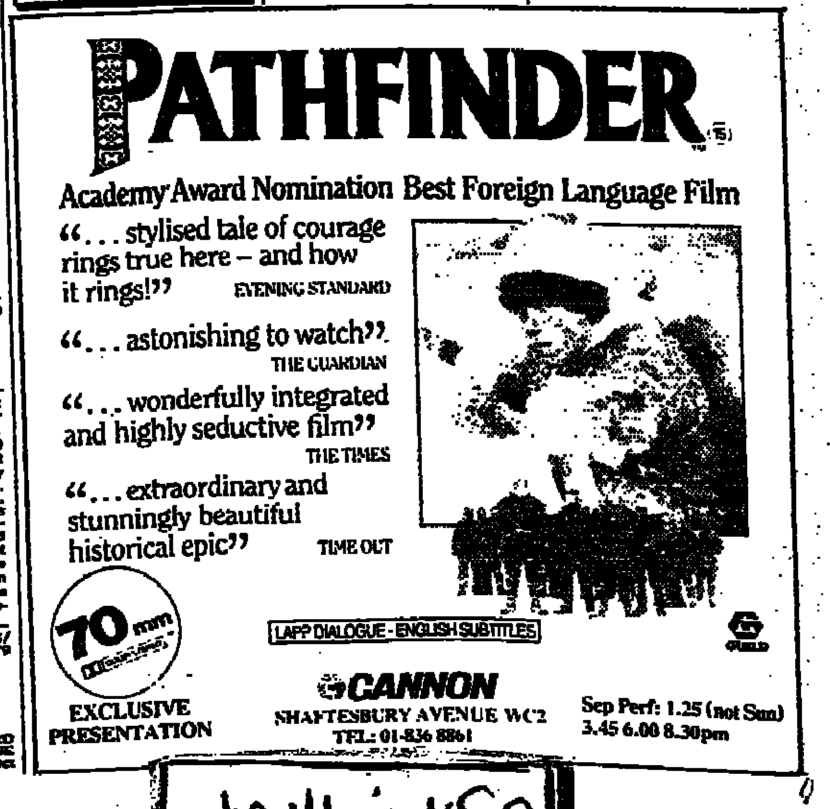

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TELEVISION AND RADIO

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BBC1

6.30 Olympic Breakfast Time introduced by Steve Rider. Live coverage begins at **6.40** with the final of the women's 10,000m; plus highlights of the overnight action. Includes national and international news at **7.15** and **8.00** with regional news headlines at **7.55. 8.55** Regional news and weather

9.00 News and weather followed by Olympic Grandstand introduced by Bob Wilson and Sally Jones. With action from women's hockey; synchronized swimming; basketball; table tennis; tennis; and archery. **News and weather at 10.00**

10.25 Children's BBC presented by Andy Crane beginning with **Play School**, introduced by Chloe Ashcroft and Lloyd Johnston (r). **10.50 The Perishers** with the voice of Leonard Rossiter (r). **10.55 Five to Eleven.** Dora Bryan with a reading (r).

11.00 News and weather followed by Olympic Grandstand. The latest news from Seoul. **News** and weather at **12.00. 12.55** Regional news and weather

1.00 One O'Clock News with Michael Buerk. Weather **1.30 Neighbours.** Lucy plans a sophisticated dinner party

1.50 Film: Touched by Love (1980) starring Deborah Raffin and Diane Lane. Drama about a teacher at a school for mentally handicapped children and her concern for a seriously ill 15-year-old girl. Directed by Gus Trikonis. (Ceefax) **3.20 Betty Boop** in *Ha! Ha! Ha!* (b/w) **3.25 Go for It!** Family health series (r).

3.50 Corners. Young people's questions answered by Sophie Aldred and Stephen Johnson **4.05 Ewoks.** The first of a new series **4.30 The Satellite Show.** A new 13-part series of comedy, drama, pop and competitions.

5.00 Newsround 5.05 Grange Hill. Episode six (r). (Ceefax). **5.35 Neighbours** (r).

6.00 Six O'Clock News with Nicholas Witchell and Andrew Harvey. Weather

6.35 London Plus

7.00 The Olympics Today. introduced by Desmond Lynam. Highlights of today's finals in the women's 10,000m; men's 3,000m steeplechase and 50km walk; the women's high jump and 100m hurdles.

9.00 Nine O'Clock News with Martyn Lewis and Andrew Harvey. Regional news and weather.

9.30 Casualty. The staff have to deal with an elderly woman suspected of having a tropical disease; a young girl accompanied by her priest who refuses to disclose what the girl said to him in the confessional; and a woman who comes in on the pretence of a grazed leg but who is really worried about a lump on her breast. (Ceefax)

10.20 Omnibus: Sir Fred — a Celebration. A documentary tribute to the late choreographer and founder of the Royal Ballet Sir Frederick Ashton who died last month at the age of 83. Among those contributing are Dame Ninette de Valois, Dame Margot Fonteyn, Natalia Makarova, Hans Werner Henze, Dame Alicia Markova, Sir John Tooley, Anthony Dowell and Antoinette Sibley. The tribute also includes extracts from Sir Frederick's best known ballets *La Fille mal gardée, The Two Pigeons, A Month in the Country, Cinderella* and *Ondine.*

11.20 Wogan with Sue Lawley. The guests include Sacha Distel, Rory Bremner and Simon Climmie. Plus music from Everything But the Girl. Followed by **Weather**

12.00 Olympic Grandstand introduced by Steve Rider. The timetable is (subject to alteration): **12.00** Boxing/canoeing/synchronized swimming; **3.00am** Athletics, including, at **4.10,** the final of the men's 1,500m. Ends at **6.30.**

BBC2

6.55 Open University: Science Foundation Course. Ends at **7.20. 9.00 Ceefax.**

9.30 Daytime on Two: farming and ski-ing in Austria **9.45** A woman's life in Scotland **10.05** Reading **10.25** Butterflies and moths of Scotland **10.45** Storytime **11.03** The peregrine falcon **11.25** Wondermaths **11.40** The life story of an oak tree **12.00** Working in the farming industry **12.20** History: the war in Vietnam **12.55** Apartheid and the battle to overcome it.

1.25 Mop and Smiff (r). **1.40 English Time: Storytelling** (r).

2.00 News and weather followed by **You and Me** (r).

2.15 Olympic Grandstand featuring tennis. **News and weather** at **3.00. 3.50 News,** regional news and weather

4.00 Film: The Southerner (1945, b/w) starring Zachary Scott. Drama about a struggling southern United States farmer. Directed by Jean Renoir

5.30 Macgregor's Scotland. A walk from Spey Bay to Craigellachie and Dufftown (r).

6.00 Film: Pack Up Your Troubles (1932, b/w) starring Laurel and Hardy as two First World War veterans with the task of delivering a young girl to her wealthy grandparents. Directed by George Marshall and Raymond McCarey.

7.05 The Phil Silvers Show (b/w) (r).

7.30 Angels and Devils. Salman Rushdie reads from his *The Satanic Verses*

8.00 The Friday Report: Not Forgotten. The campaign for the release of John McCarthy, the journalist held hostage in the Lebanon. (see Variations for other regions' programmes)

8.30 Gardeners' World from Wimborne Botanic Gardens.

9.00 A Gentlemen's Club. Comedy

9.30 The Zircon Affair. (Ceefax) (see Choice)

10.45 Newsnight 11.30 Weather

11.35 Film: Little Ida (1981) starring Sunniva Lindekleiv. Second World War drama, based on fact, about collaboration in occupied Norway. Directed by Laila Mikkelsen. English subtitles. Ends at **1.00am**

ITV/LONDON

6.00 TV-am begins with **News** and **The Morning Programme,** presented by Richard Keys; **7.00 News** followed by **Good Morning Britain** introduced by Anne Diamond and Richard Keys. **After Nine** includes Russell Grant's astrological predictions

9.25 Thames News and weather **9.30 Runway.** Travel and general knowledge quiz.

10.00 Donahue in Stratford-upon-Avon discussing partnerships with, among others Anna Raeburn, Victoria Gillick and Esme Newton-Dunn who lives with a "toy-boy". **10.50 News** headlines **10.55 Thames News** and weather

11.00 Olympics 1988 includes highlights of the finals of the men's 3,000m steeplechase and 50km walk; the women's 10,000m, high jump and 100m hurdles.

1.00 News at One with Jon Snow **1.20 Thames News** and weather

1.30 Olympics 1988. Further highlights of the 14th day's events

2.00 The Bill. Omnibus edition (r). **2.55 Home Cookery Club.** Barbara's Pancake Layer

3.00 Take the High Road. Joanne proves she has a head for business; and Sorry is upset by what he reads in the *Auchtarne Herald.* **3.25 Thames news** and weather **3.30 Sons and Daughters.**

4.00 Scooby Doo. Cartoon adventures (r). **4.10 Crush a Grape.** A tribute to Australia includes guest Rolf Harris **4.45 Freetime.** Andi Peters and Fiona Kennedy visit Denmark's Legoland complex

5.15 Olympics 1988. Nick Owen and Alison Holloway introduce highlights of the day's action.

5.45 News with Alastair Stewart

6.00 Olympics 1988. Highlights continued

6.30 LWT News 6.45 Police 5. Shaw Taylor with clues to unsolved crime in the London area

7.00 Family Fortunes. Game show presented by Les Dennis

7.30 Me & My Girl. Comedy series starring Richard O'Sullivan and Tim Brooke-Taylor. This week Samantha falls for her father's friend from France. With Joan Sanderson and Joanne Ridley

8.00 Beauty and the Beast. The "beast" comes to Cathy's aid when her life is endangered during the investigation of a mob-related murder of a longshoreman. Starring Linda Hamilton, Ron Perlman and Roy Dotrice

9.00 The Ruth Rendell Mysteries: Shake Hands Forever. Episode two and Det Chief Insp Wexford believes he knows the identity of Angela Hathall's killer but lacks evidence and is warned off the case. Starring George Baker and Christopher Ravenscroft. (Oracle)

10.00 News at Ten with Carol Barnes and John Suchet. **10.30 LWT News** and weather

10.35 The London Programme investigates how people in the south-east are facing up to the looming prospect of self-policing in the face of escalating crime and violence.

11.05 Film: Bonnie and Clyde (1966) starring Warren Beatty, Faye Dunaway and Gene Hackman. Drama about a petty car thief and the daughter of one of his intended victims who team up to become the biggest bank thieves in 1930s Midwest United States. Directed by Arthur Penn

1.00am Night Network includes another episode from the 1960s *Monkees* series and an early preview of Boy George's latest video. Plus, Tom Watt and Simon O'Brien talking to authors, directors, actors and sportsmen.

4.00 Baseball '88. New York Yankees v Boston

5.00 ITN Morning News. Ends at **6.00**

CHANNEL 4

7.00 Olympics 1988. Highlights of the overnight action including the finals of the men's 3,000m steeplechase and the women's 10,000m.

9.30 Schools.

12.00 Generations. Deirdre McSharry is interviewed by Paulyn Marrinan (r).

12.30 Business Daily. Financial and business news service presented by Damian Green

1.00 Sesame Street. Pre-school learning series

2.00 Channel 4 Racing from Newmarket. Brough Scott introduces coverage of the 2.05, 2.35, 3.10, 3.40 and 4.10 races

4.30 Fifteen-to-One. General knowledge quiz game

5.00 Scarecrow and Mrs King. Amanda borrows a car from the Agency pound when her's is in dock and inadvertently becomes the target of a ruthless crime syndicate.

6.00 The Chart Show.

7.00 Channel 4 News with Peter Sissons and Nik Gowing. **Weather.**

7.55 Book Choice. David Lodge reviews Ian Hamilton's *In Search of J. D. Salinger*

8.00 Masterworks. Richard Lindner's painting *The Meeting* is explored

8.15 Right Talk. This last of the series is a discussion on the de-regulation of broadcasting. Among the guests are Eddy Shah and Sir Alfred Sherman.

9.00 The Golden Girls. (Oracle)

9.30 Village Show. Ursula Buchan visits Warmington, Northants, summer horticultural show. (Oracle)

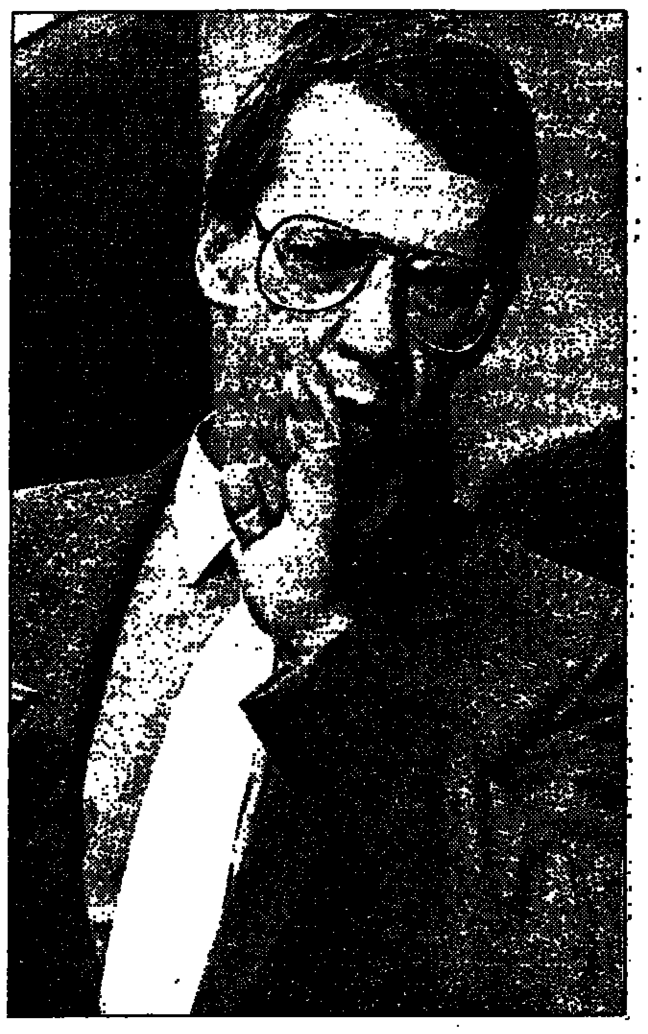
10.00 Whose Line Is It Anyway. Improvised comedy show. Joining John Sessions and Clive Anderson this week are Rory Bremner, Jimmy Mulville and Archie Hahn.

10.30 The Last Resort. Among Jonathan Ross's guests tonight are Terry Jones, Ilona Staller, the controversial Italian MP, and Dolores and the Snake.

11.20 Olympics 1988 includes the final of the men's 1,500m at **4.10am;** and the men's 5,000m at **4.30.** Ends at **7.00.**

Can you keep a secret?

TELEVISION CHOICE



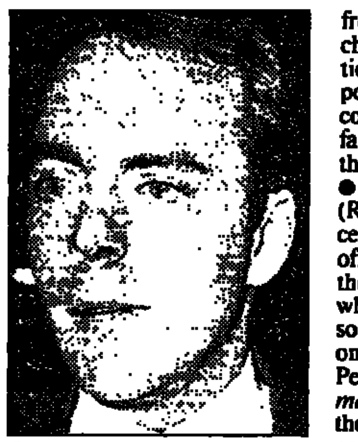
The investigative journalist, Duncan Campbell, whose film on a spy satellite is at last being screened (BBC2, 9.30pm)

● The fate of banned television programmes is often a curious one. The immediate effect of the ban is to give the show far more publicity than it would normally have, fuelled by accusations of censorship. Then the dust settles, and arguments are patched up and the programme is pulled out of oblivion and screened. By then most people have forgotten about it. Those who do bother to switch on wonder what the fuss was about. These thoughts are prompted by **The Zircon Affair** (BBC2, 9.30pm) which, among other things, is an opportunity to see for the first time, and uncut, Duncan Campbell's film for the *Secret Society* series which the BBC decided not to transmit because it might breach national security. The affair goes back more than three years when Campbell, a journalist who had made a reputation in the field, was approached by the BBC to do a series on official secrecy. Among the six programmes was one on Zircon, a satellite being planned by the British Government which would be sent up into the skies to "spy" on the Soviet Union. At the time Zircon was supposed to be an official secret. Campbell's film not only spilled the beans but claimed that Parliament had been misled about the existence of the project and its cost. Taking legal advice, the BBC decided in January last year not to screen it. The sequel was a series of police raids: on Campbell's flat, on the offices of the *New Statesman* (for which Campbell had written an account of the film) and, most spectacularly, the Glasgow offices of the BBC from which large quantities of documents and video tapes were removed in the small hours. The police haul included the Zircon programme, which was not returned until November. Meanwhile a fresh injunction had been taken out against Duncan Campbell and the BBC was unclear whether this also applied to the programme. Not until July this year was the programme legally cleared for transmission. Introduced by Ludovic Kennedy, *The Zircon Affair* includes a screening of Campbell's film followed by reports on the issues raised: whether Parliament was deceived over Zircon, the effectiveness of the system for Parliamentary scrutiny of defence projects and how changes to the Official Secrets Act will affect journalists. Finally, there will be a studio discussion with Phillip Whitehead, the television producer, and Lord Chalfont, chairman of the House of Lords all-party defence group.

Peter Waymark

Many unhappy returns

RADIO CHOICE



Simon Cadell who plays the wretched son (R3, 9.25pm)

● T.S. Eliot himself is on record as saying that in **The Family Reunion** (Radio 3, 9.25pm), his account of an unhappy birthday party, he had not made a good job of reconciling his Greek tragedy chorus with modern philosophical exchanges. It did not work on the stage, and does not work any better on radio. Chorus awkwardness apart, however, this 1939 play remains spellbinding for the most part. As for its famous ambiguities, we should remember that, in writing his play about a son who returns to the family hearth pursued by the Furies, Eliot himself was only heeding the advice he puts into the mouth of the wise Aunt Agatha when addressing her haunted nephew: "Talk in your own language, without stopping to debate whether it may be too far beyond our understanding." Jane Morgan's new production is strongly cast, with Simon Cadell, as the wretched son, coping manfully with such gloomy reflections as "What you call restoration to health is only the incubation of another malady", and Anna Massey (as Agatha) sliding effortlessly from conventional theatrical chat into more characteristically Eliot lines like: "It is possible that you are the conscience of your unhappy family, its bird sent flying through purgatorial flame."

● So far, **Wilko's Weekly** (Radio 4, 4.05pm) has concentrated on the editorial offices of our weekly papers, the sharp end of the business, where it's all happening. Not so this afternoon. There are only oblique references to the Penzance HQ of *The Cornishman.* Instead, the focus is on the St Mary's newsagent/newshound who supplies the grist to the paper's Isles of Scilly mill — everything from the local theatre club that is meeting with stiff opposition because it wants to stage in the no-smoking town hall a play that hinges on the weed, and the brand new air traffic control tower (39 steps up, 39 down) that has been built without a single loo.

Peter Davalle

John Sessions improvises audience ideas (C4, 10.00pm)

VARIATIONS

BBC1 **WALES: 6.35pm-7.00** Wales Today **SCOTLAND: 6.35pm-7.00** Reporting Scotland **NORTHERN IRELAND: 5.35pm** Today's Sport **5.40-6.00** Inside Ulster **6.35** Neighbours **6.58-7.00** Inside Ulster Update **ENGLAND: 6.35pm-7.00** Regional news magazines

BBC2 **WALES: 7.05pm-7.30** Indoor Bowls **8.00** Sheepdog Trials **8.30-9.00** Gardening Together **SCOTLAND: 8.00pm-8.30** Catchword **NORTHERN IRELAND: 10.25am-10.45** Ulster in Focus **8.00pm-8.30** The View From the Castle **ENGLAND: 8.00pm-8.30** East: Return of the Aces; Midlands: Inside Story; North: On a Personal Note; North-east: Vote, Vote, Vote for Dr Dalton!; North-west: Lovat Road; South: A Living Fort; South-west and West: Everything to Live For?

ANGLIA As London except: **1.20pm-1.30** News **2.00** Who's the Boss? **2.30-3.00** Gardens for All **6.30-7.00** About Anglia **10.35** Anglia Live **11.35** Film: An Unmarried Woman **2.00am** Night Network **4.00-5.00** Baseball.

BORDER As London except: **1.20pm** News **1.30** Film: Our Girl Friday' **3.30-4.00** Young Doctors **6.30-7.00** Lookaround **10.35** Alec Douglas-Home **11.05** Kojak **12.00** Starting Over **2.00am** Night Network **4.00-5.00** Route 66.

CENTRAL As London except: **1.20pm-1.30** News **2.00-3.00** Country Practice **6.30-7.00** News **10.35** Central Weekend **12.05am** Film: Fragment of Fear **1.50** Kojak **2.50** Live 'n' Loud **3.50** Dimension 2000 **4.35-5.00** Cover Story.

CHANNEL As London except: **1.20pm-1.30** News **2.00-3.00** Falcon Crest **3.30-4.00** Young Doctors **6.30-7.00** Channel Report **10.35** Wallenburg: Lost Hero **12.00** POV **1.00am** UFO **2.00** Night Network **4.05** Facing South **4.35-5.00** Jack Thompson Down Under.

GRANADA As London except: **1.20pm-1.30** News **2.00-3.00** Falcon Crest **3.30-4.00** Young Doctor **6.30-7.00** Granada Reports **10.35** Who's the Boss? **11.05** Legwork **12.00** Film: Starting Over **2.00** Night Network **4.00-5.00** Route 66.

HTV WEST As London except: **1.20pm-1.30** News **2.00-3.00** Love Boat **6.30-7.00** News **10.35** Exmoor Village **11.05** Bless This House **11.35** Kojak **12.30am** Film: Trouble Comes to Town **2.00** Night Network **4.00** Wales This Week **4.30-5.00** Jobfinder.

HTV WALES As HTV West except: **6.30-7.00** Wales at Six **10.35-11.35** West End Girl.

SCOTTISH As London except: **1.20pm-1.30** News **2.00-3.30** Film: Blondie's Big Deal' **6.30** Scotland Today **7.00-7.30** Take the High Road **10.35** WKRP in Cincinnati **11.05** Legwork **12.00** Film: Starting Over **2.00** Night Network **4.00-5.00** Route 66.

TSW As London except: **1.20pm-1.30** News **2.00** Legend of Joseph **2.30-3.00** Short Story **3.30-4.00** Young Doctors **6.30-7.00** Today **10.35** Married With Children **11.05** Legwork **12.00** Film: Starting Over **2.00** Night Network **4.00-5.00** Route 66.

TVS As London except: **1.20pm-1.30** News **2.00-3.00** Falcon Crest **3.30-4.00** Young Doctors **6.30-7.00** Coast to Coast **10.35** Wallenburg: Lost Hero **12.00** POV **1.00am** UFO **2.00** Night Network **4.05** Facing South **4.35-5.00** Jack Thompson Down Under.

TYNE TEES As London except: **1.20pm-1.30** News **2.00-3.00** Wrong Note **6.30-7.00** Northern Life **10.35** Festival **11.35** Duck Factory **12.00** Film: Starting Over **2.00am** Night Network **4.00-5.00** Route 66.

ULSTER As London except: **1.20pm-1.30** News **2.00-3.00** Charlie's Angels **6.30-7.00** Six Tonight **10.35** Witness **10.40** Sledge Hammer **11.05** V **12.00** News, Closedown.

YORKSHIRE As London except: **1.20pm-1.30** News **2.00-3.00** Short Story **6.30-7.00** Calendar **10.30** Film: Most Wanted **12.00** Kojak **1.00am** James Whale Radio Show **2.00** Night Network **4.00-5.00** Night Heat.

S4C Starts: **9.30am** Schools **12.10pm** Pobol **12.30** News **12.35** 5 Lon Goch **1.00** Sesame Street **2.00** Fifteen to One **2.30** Racing **4.30** Mork and Mindy **5.00** Lost in Space **6.00** News **6.15** Wynff a Plwmsan **6.40** Pobol **7.00** Amser Chwarae **7.30** Rosalind a Myrddin **8.00** Camera'r Cymro **8.30** News **9.00** Byr ar Bedwar **9.45** Masterworks **10.00** Golden Girls **10.30** Last Resort **11.20** Olympics.

RTE 1 Starts: **4.05pm** Bosco **4.35** Wonderstruck **5.05** Cockleshell Bay **5.15** Heidi **5.45** News **6.00** Newstime **6.30** Cartoon **6.35** Sea Hunt **7.00** Seoul 88 **9.00** News **9.20** Late Late Show **11.30** News **11.35** Film: Killer in the Mirror **1.20am** Closedown.

RTE 2 Starts: **4.25pm** Cycling **5.10** Sons and Daughters **5.40** Cartoon **5.50** Survival **6.20** Film: Ride the Man Down **8.00** Nuacht **8.05** Last Tram **8.20** Piggy Bank **10.05** Streets of San Francisco **11.15** Cycling **11.00-10.00am** Seoul 88.

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5.30 Adrian John **7.00** Simon Mayo **9.30** Simon Bates **12.30** Newsbeat (Lesley Curwen) **12.45** Gary Davies **3.00** Steve Wright **5.30** Newsbeat **5.45** The Year of Rock: 1967 **6.45** John Peel **7.00-2.00am** Monterey Pop: The Radio Concert.

Radio 2

VHF Stereo and **MW** (medium wave)
4.00 Bill Rennells **5.30** Chris Stuart **7.30** Derek Jameson **9.30** Bob Holness **11.00** Jimmy Young **1.05** David Jacobs **2.00** Gloria Hunniford **3.30** Joe Brown **5.05** John Dunn **7.00** Teddy Johnson's 78 Show **7.30** Friday Night is Music Night **8.45** Kathron Sturrock at the piano **9.00** Nigel Ogden with The Organist Entertains **9.30** The Radio Show Radio Show **10.30** The Press Gang **11.00** Alan Titchmarsh's Olympic special **1.00-4.00am** Ellis Hill with Nightride.

WORLD SERVICE

All times in GMT. Add an hour for BST.
7.00 World News 7.09 24 Hours 7.30 Write On 7.45 Seven Seas 8.00 World News 8.09 Reflections 8.15 The Spinners and Friends 8.30 Music Now 9.00 World News 9.09 Review of the British Press 9.15 The World Today 9.30 Financial News, Olympic Sportsworld 10.00 News Summary 10.01 Juste Plain Madness 10.15 Seven Seas 10.30 Jazz for the Asking 11.00 World News 11.09 News about Britain 11.15 Talking from... 11.30 Londres Midi 12.00 Radio Newsreel 12.15 Europe's World 12.30 Business Matters 12.45 Sports Roundup 1.00 World News 1.09 24 Hours 1.30 Olympic Sportsworld 1.45 John Peel 2.00 Outlook 2.45 Nature Notebook 3.00 Radio Newsreel 3.15 From Raj to Rajiv 4.00 World News 4.09 News about Britain 4.15 Science in Action 4.45 The World Today 5.00 World News 5.09 Commentary 5.15 English by Radio 5.45 Londres Soir 6.30 Heute Aktuell 7.00 Programmes in German 8.00 World News 8.09 24 Hours 8.30 Science in Action 9.00 News Summary 9.01 Network UK 9.15 Europe's World 9.30 Business Matters 9.45 Malgudi Days 10.00 World News 10.09 The World Today 10.30 Financial News 10.40 Reflections 10.45 Sports Roundup 11.00 World News 11.09 Commentary 11.15 From the Weeklies 11.30 Multitrack 3 12.00 World News 12.09 News about Britain 12.15 Radio Newsreel 12.30 Personal View 12.45 Recording of the Week 1.00 News Summary 1.01 Outlook 1.30 Juste Plain Madness 1.45 Nature Notebook 2.00 World News 2.09 Review of the British Press 2.15 Network UK 2.30 People and Politics 3.00 World News 3.09 News about Britain 3.15 The World Today 3.30 Europe's World 3.45 Business Matters 4.00 Newsdesk 4.30 Six Four Eight News 4.35 Financial News 3.45 Morgenmagazin 5.45 The World Today 6.00 World News and 24 Hours 6.30 Londres Matin

Radio 3

6.55 Weather, News headlines

7.00 Morning Concert: Bach (Concerto in D minor (BWV 1060): Concentus Musicus Vienna under Nikolaus Harnoncourt with Alice Harnoncourt, violin and Jürg Schaeftlein, oboe); Weber (Overture and March from Turandot: London Symphony Orchestra under Hans-Hubert Schönzeler)

7.30 News

7.35 Morning Concert (contd): Haydn: Symphony No 96 in D (Philharmonia Hungarica under Antal Dorati); Litolff (Scherzo from Concerto Symphonique No 4: Royal Philharmonic Orchestra under Moshe Atzmon with Christina Ortiz, piano); Tchaikovsky (Fantasy Overture from Romeo and Juliet: Philharmonia under Riccardo Muti)

8.30 News

8.35 Composers of the Week: Mozart's Prague Disciples: Vojtech Jirovec (Overture to Semiramis: Prague Chamber Orchestra under Libor Hlavacek); Frantisek Dusek (Piano Concerto in E flat: Pardubice State Chamber Orchestra under Libor Pesek with Jan Novotny); Vaclav Tomasek (Symphony in D: Dvorak Chamber Orchestra under Vladimir Valek)

9.35 Beethoven: Trio in E flat, Op 1 No 1 (Stuttgart Piano Trio) (r)

10.05 Weber: Overture to Euryanthe (Philharmonia Orchestra under Wolfgang Swallisch); Piano Concerto No 1 in C (Dresden Staatskapelle under Herbert Blomstedt with Peter Rösel); Symphony No 2 in C (Bavarian Radio Symphony Orchestra under Wolfgang Wallisch)

10.55 Malvina Major: The soprano, accompanied by Rosemary Barnes, sings Gounod's Premier jour de mai; Les Naiades and Le Soir; Meyerbeer's La Fille de L'air; Mercadante's La primavera; Simon Mayr's Luci mie belle and Mercadante's Il zeffiro

11.30 Penderecki and Tchaikovsky: Krzysztof Penderecki: Cello Concerto No 2 (Roman Jablonski); Tchaikovsky: Symphony No 3 (Polish) (BBC Symphony Orchestra under Antoni Wit)

1.00 News

1.05 Chamber Music from Manchester: Suk: Piano Quartet in A minor, Op 1; Dvorak: Piano Quartet in D, Op 23 (Domus Piano Quartet)

Sir Sidney Nolan talks about his life and work (R3, 7.05pm)

2.00 Bach: Preludes and Fugues: E minor (BVW 855); E (BVW 854); Sonata in G Minor (BWV 1030b) for oboe (Valerie Darke) and harpsichord (Melvyn Tan)

2.30 First Thoughts: Stravinsky's The Rite of Spring (1929 recording): Paris Symphony Orchestra under the composer

3.05 Schumann: Romances: Op 28 No 1 in B flat minor; No 2 in F sharp; No 3 in B; Phantasiestücke, Op 111 and Six Intermezzi, Op 4 (Martin Hughes, piano)

3.55 Scottish Chamber Orchestra: Steuart Bedford conducts Mozart (Magic Flute Overture); Britten (Cantata misericordium); Beethoven (Symphony No 5 in C minor). With Laurence Dale and John Shirley-Quirk

5.00 Mainly For Pleasure: Presented by Roger Nichols

6.30 West Coast Jazz: Max Harrison examines some instrumentation experiments (4 of 10)

7.00 News

7.05 Third Ear: The Earl of Gowrie talks to Australian artist Sir Sidney Nolan about his work

7.30 The Friday Concerts from Birmingham (new series): Pascal Rogé performs Schumann (Kinderszenen); Beethoven (Sonata in F minor, Op 57, Appasionata); and Debussy (Preludes, Book I). Includes **8.15** John Wells reads extracts from Edward Lear's letters to Lod Carlingford

9.25 The Family Reunion: by T.S. Eliot. With Simon Cadell, Anna Massey, Pauline Letts and Susan Wooldridge (see Choice)

11.35 Composers of the Week: Liszt: Romance oubliée; Festlänge (r)

12.15 News **12.30** Close

Radio 4

LW (long wave) (s) stereo on **VHF**

5.55 Shipping Forecast **6.00** News Briefing; Weather

6.10 Farming Today

6.25 Prayer for the Day (s)

6.30 Today: Presented by John Humphrys and Sue MacGregor, incl **7.20** and **8.20** Olympic Sports Desk, **6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30** News **6.55, 7.55** Weather

8.42 Leaving Home: Written and read by Garrison Keillor (5 of 10)

8.55 Old Possum's Book of Practical Cats: Fenella Fielding reads The Song of the Jellicles by T.S. Eliot (s)

9.00 News

9.05 Desert Island Discs: Sue Lawley's guest is The Most Rev Trevor Huddleston (s) (r)

9.45 Famous for 15 Minutes: Jenni Mills talks to PC Billy Burns, who hit the headlines in 1983 when he was shot by bank robbers trying to make their getaway

10.00 International Assignment

10.30 Morning Story: The Peas by Kathleen Maconochie. Read by Ralph Riach

10.45 Daily Service (s)

11.00 News; Killers with a Conscience: James Serpell talks to scientists, slaughtermen, farmers and hunters about their attitude towards animals and examines the paradoxes in our views of animals which enable us to treat them the way we do (r)

11.47 I Say, I Say: David Crystal on the way we speak (r)

12.00 News; You and Yours: Call to Account: With John Waite

12.25 Radio Fun: The story of radio comedy in 12 parts presented by Russell Davies (10) The Sixties **12.55** Weather

1.00 The World at One

1.40 The Archers (r) **1.55** Shipping Forecast

2.00 News; Woman's Hour: From Cardiff. Features an interview with former Booker Prize winner, Bernice Rubens, who talks about her new novel *Our Father;* a discussion about an international conference on domestic violence; an assessment on the work of a centre for brain damaged adults and children in North Wales which is not yet part of the NHS; a report on a campaign by the National Sports Centre for Wales to encourage women to take exercise; and an item on Pobol Y Cwm, a daily topical soap opera in the Welsh language

3.00 News; Cold Comfort Farm: by Stella Gibbons. Last of four parts adapted by Elizabeth Proud. With Patricia Gallimore as Flora Poste (s) (r)

4.00 News

4.05 Wilko's Weekly: Tony Wilkinson visits local papers (2) The Cornishman (see Choice)

4.30 Kaleidoscope (r)

5.00 PM **5.50** Shipping Forecast **5.55** Weather

6.00 Six O'Clock News; Financial Report

6.30 Going Places: Clive Jacobs and the team with travel and transport news

7.00 News

7.05 The Archers

7.20 Pick of the Week: Margaret Howard presents a selection of the past week's television and radio programmes (s)

8.20 Any Questions?: Jonathan Dimbleby in Grove, Oxfordshire, with Lord Young, Roy Hattersley, David Owen and Rosalind Miles — Head of the Centre for Women's Studies at Coventry Polytechnic

9.05 Stop Press: Geoffrey Goodman reviews the week's newspapers

9.30 Letter from America: by Alistair Cooke

9.45 Kaleidoscope: The last official censor, Sir John Johnston, talks to Michael Billington about censorship in the arts and media

10.15 A Book at Bedtime: Last part of The Iron Staircase by Georges Simenon, read by Struan Rodger

10.29 Weather

10.30 The World Tonight

11.15 The Financial World Tonight

11.35 Olympiod 88: Steve Punt and Hugh Dennis with another satirical look at the Olympics

12.00 News, incl **12.20** Weather **12.33** Shipping Forecast

VHF as above except: **11.00am-12.00** For Schools: **11.00** Earth Search **11.20** Playtime **11.35** Music Workshop **1.55-3.00pm** For Schools: **1.55** Listening Corner **2.05** Let's Join In **2.25** The Song Tree **2.40** The Friday Serial **5.50-5.55** PM (continued) **12.30-1.10am** Schools Night-Time Books, Plays, Poems.

FREQUENCIES: Radio 1: 1053kHz/285m;1089kHz/275m;VHF-88-90.2. **Radio 2:** 693kHz/433m;909kHz/330m;VHF-88-90.2. **Radio 3:** 1215kHz/247m; VHF-90-92.5. **Radio 4:** 198kHz/1515m;VHF-92-95. **LBC:** 1152kHz/261m;VHF 97.3. **Capital:** 1548kHz/194m;VHF95.8. **BBC Radio London:** 1458kHz/206m;VHF 94.9; **World Service:** MF648kHz/463m.

Shipwreck chemicals on Blackpool beach

Firemen in protective clothing tackle the container of dangerous chemicals washed on to Blackpool beach from the freighter Ardlough

By Ronald Faux

Emergency services carried out a "controlled spillage" of 16,000 litres of highly inflammable chemicals on to the beach at Blackpool yesterday. A container of ethyl acetate was washed ashore in the early hours from the cargo vessel *Ardlough* which sank in heavy weather in the Irish Sea on Monday.

Shipping off the north-west coast has been warned that a number of containers, some weighing 30 tonnes could still be floating near the surface causing a hazard.

Coastguards are watching out for one container in particular that was destined for the Army in Belfast and had explosives detection equipment operated by a low level radioactive substance.

The Ministry of Defence said yesterday there was no danger. Only a minuscule amount of the substance, 0.05 micrograms, was contained in the equipment which was protected against leakage in the event of an accident. There was no risk of pollution from the container which coastguards believe may still be in the wreckage of the ship lying 10 miles off Llandudno.

By yesterday, eight containers had drifted ashore bombarding the north-west coast with an odd assortment of wreckage. Twenty tonnes of biscuits arrived on the tide outside the Imperial Hotel, Blackpool several hours before the acetate container came ashore.

Crowds were cleared from the promenade and the north pier was closed as firemen and police dealt with the chemical.

"For a time there was a danger that the container might rupture and the chemicals spill out which in certain conditions posed the risk of a very serious explosion. It was decided to carry out a controlled spillage and the danger was removed", a fire officer said.

Police said that no long term damage would have been done to the beach. The empty container later drifted back out to sea. Police would not give details of how many other containers were missing or what they contained, but said it was not thought they posed a threat of explosion or pollution.

A container of plastic foam floated 50 miles to ground on the south Cumbria coast near Flukeborough. Six were carried on to the Fylde coast and a load of chemical additives was towed into Heysham harbour. Other cargoes included tobacco and sacking material.

Conference sketch

A serious trace in the party's blood

"The smaller the party, the more likely it is to fragment. I call it Jacobs' Law."

Francis Jacobs, who is compiling a complete guide to the parties of Europe, held us enthralled in a small café on the promenade at Blackpool, talking into the night of his travels and researches.

Waves crashed against the sea-wall as he spoke of the Polar Party and the Spirit of Community Party in Greenland, the sinister Austrian "Liberal" Party, the subtle political groupings of the Faroe Islands, and of the Good Old Days Bourgeois Party of Liechtenstein.

A student with a Liberal straw boater and a Liberal yo-yo bobbed past the window, and from a table near by floated a wisp of conversation: "Of course Sue Slipman's real error was to use the term 'anarcho-syndicalist' as an insult . . .".

"If there is a critical mass", I asked, "below which a party tends to fragment but above which it gathers strength and seriousness, are the Liberals within reach of it?"

The wise Mr Jacobs shook his greying beard. "Within reach, yes. But beyond that — we shall have to see. Possibly." A tram, illuminated with the flags of the European nations, trundled by.

Are they serious, this time? In search of an answer I have wandered all week around the conference-hall, fringe-meetings, and the stalls which offer to test your cholesterol level, implore you passionately to Keep Sunday Special or hesitantly solicit your concern over the Kurds.

The evidence has been bewildering. *Fears for future of planet . . . Meltdown of polar icecap* . . . scream the headlines here. Yes, yes, we're used to that from Liberals. But no. The news about Planet Earth, I learn, comes this time from the Prime Minister. What can have come over her? Is she swapping roles with the SLD? 1992, Global Extermination . . . she'll be on about Flying Saucers next.

Meanwhile the conference agenda here at Blackpool looks cautiously conservative by contrast. There was a debate about homosexuality which didn't even commit the Democrats to repealing clause 28. The debate on Nuclear Energy drew careful speeches about the need to "phase", "wind down gradually", and "actively explore viable alternatives". Carry on like this and we'll have Mr Beith proposing health-cuts and Mrs Thatcher ranting about Giant African Locusts.

Tired and confused after an intensive briefing from Mr Jacobs on the politics of the Aland Islands, I doze off in front of the television. Confused images swim through my head.

"We must actively explore viable alternatives to homosexuality!" a lady councillor, in my dream, seems to be telling conference. "Phase it out now!" shriek delegates. "No", she insists. "But let us wind it down over 20 years . . ."

The images blur, then re-form: "Citizens must be free to develop their own Nuclear possibilities in whatever direction they wish!" thunders a delegate, to wild applause.

Suddenly, in my dream, Blackpool has become the venue of a World Olympics of Small Parties. They are all on the promenade in a blaze of illuminations, subdividing and exploding like those fireworks which burst into multiple stars, each star bursting into many more.

Every grouping has its own tram illuminated with displays canvassing its obscurest policies; and there are yo-yo competitions between minority causes. But disaster strikes. The Democrats, hosts to this extravaganza, have been denounced by ginger-bearded Tony Greaves (be-sandalled doyen of the Liberal Radicals, strangely quiet these days). The Party has been subjected to a blood-test. Traces — just *traces* — of Seriousness have been detected. And Paddy Ashdown is in dock . . .

I awake. Mr Ashdown stares soupily from the TV screen before me. He is making today's closing rallying-call: Neil Kinnock, he is saying "Looks like an evacuee from *Picture Post*". (A bit rich from someone with the looks of those models photographed in fisherman pullovers for knitting-patterns in *Woman's Own*, circa 1959).

But what's this he's outlining now? A six-point prospectus for an Autumn mini-budget . . . restraint of credit . . . the necessary fiscal measures . . . Now this does sound serious.

"It could never have happened", I exclaim, involuntarily, "when Tony Greaves was alive!" But a voice in my ear corrects me: "He *is* alive".

Is he? We shall see.

Matthew Parris

Government acts to remove union remnants at GCHQ

By Nicholas Beeston and Roland Rudd

The Government acted yesterday to end union representation at its communication centre in Cheltenham, Gloucestershire, when it threatened to dismiss or transfer the last 18 members if they would not relinquish membership by October 14.

A Foreign Office spokesman said that if the members did not comply with the directive, five would be dismissed with compensation, two would be compulsorily moved to other jobs, four would remain at GCHQ pending a final decision on their future, and seven would be offered retirement with compensation.

The last category were employees who originally took the government's £1,000 offer to leave the union but remained union members and kept the money.

The move was bitterly denounced by the Council of Civil Service Unions, which reported that the "outrageous action" resulted in Civil Servants taking spontaneous stike action thoughout the country yesterday.

The 18 who defied the ban on trade union membership belong to the National Union of Civil and Public Servants (NUCPS), the Civil and Public Services Association (CPSA) and the Institute of Professional Civil Servants (IPCS).

The general secretaries of the three Civil Service unions will meet Sir Robin Butler, head of the home Civil Service, on Monday. They will plan further long-term action against the Government move with the TUC on Tuesday.

It is not clear why the Government chose yesterday to announce its decision. But one explanation is that it no longer fears the threat of a 24-hour elecricity strike now the Electrical, Electronic, Telecommunication and Plumbing Union have been expelled from the TUC.

Mr Willian Waldegrave, Minister of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, said the action spelt "the beginning of the end" and said the decision had been taken because it was unfair to the other employees to "leave a small group dragging on forever".

Mr Norman Willis, TUC general secretary, called the decision a "mean and bulling act". He said Congress had made a plege to support any union member threatened with discrimination or compulsory transfer because of trade union membership.

Mrs Jenny Thurston, IPCS assistant general secretary, said: "We are angered and appalled by the Government action. They are sacking people purely out of motives of vindictiveness. This action has nothing to do with national security."

Europe plans eradication of rabies using an oral vaccine

From Michael Dynes, Brussels

The European Commission is considering a bold plan to eradicate rabies from continental Europe as part of the drive to create the conditions necessary for the abolition of all international frontier control posts by 1992.

If successful, the plan would help to remove one of the most elemental fears about open borders, particularly acute in Britain, and the possible spread of dangerous animal and plant diseases throughout the Community.

Commission statistics show that the lethal disease is overwhelmingly confined to wild animals, chiefly foxes, which have proved virtually impossible to treat with traditional vaccination methods.

But Commission officials are confident that the initial results from a series of revolutionary experiments with a new, oral rabies vaccine left in the wild offer a hope of stamping out the disease.

"We have been watching these experiments with great interest," one internal market official said. "If the early results are confirmed, which seems likely, it should be possible to propose a co-ordinated rabies eradication programme among all member states."

Statistics for 1985, the last year for which figures are available, show that there were 19,000 recorded cases of rabies in the whole of continental Europe. Of this total, 14,000 were foxes, 3,000 were other wild animals, and 2,000 were domestic animals. There was one case of rabies in humans — and that was in Finland.

In the EEC, West Germany and France have the most serious problem in their domestic animal populations. West Germany most recently reported 230 dogs and 73 cats with the disease, and France 87 and 37 respectively.

Rabies was eradicated completely from animals in Britain more than 60 years ago, and stringent animal health checks imposed at all air and sea ports since the Second World War have prevented it reappearing. Since eradication, every human fatality in Britain has been from rabies contracted outside Europe.

But some critics have suggested that the British fear of rabies is out of all proportion, claiming that Britain's island status, far from easing popular anxieties about the potential spread of the disease, has heightened them.

They point out that in more than 40 years of British controls, not one rabid animal has been found, showing the threat from the disease, especially from Europe, to be marginal.

But the Home Office has already declared its intention to retain controls.

Ashdown's new course

Continued from page 1

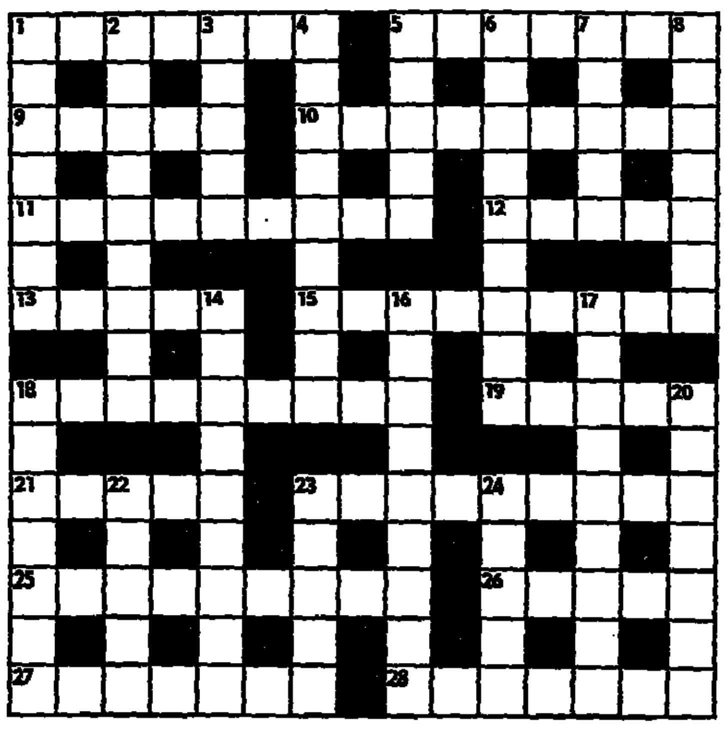
monetary system, reassurance of the international financial community with a promise of no further tax cuts, talks between the Chancellor and the banks to curb credit expansion, and abandonment of the poll tax.

In a speech which set out chapter headings of the Democrats approach but which offered little policy detail Mr Ashdown was scathing in his criticism of the Government.

He declared that their message was one not of patriotism but of greed. They squandered the nation's resources rather than investing them. They plundered the national environment rather than preserving it and they divided the nation.

Mr Ashdown predicted that Mrs Thatcher, at the Tory conference, would "wrap herself in the Union Jack" and he declared "I deeply resent the hi-jacking of the love of country by a single party or a single politician".

THE TIMES CROSSWORD PUZZLE NO 17,788



ACROSS

1 Sanctimonious scoundrel in canoe (7).
5 It can be reshuffled (7).
9 A boy concealing 28's crime (5).
10 Skilled worker in force (9).
11 Awakening for conclusion of the case (9).
12 Poet has to set about fool (5).
13 Review amount of money raised . . . (3,2).
15 . . . thereby contributing to hardships of actors (4,5).
18 Runners once annually opposed by 1 *dn* (9).
19 Dog's controller in Irish county, say (5).
21 Spring in the country (5).
23 Engineers on board one sort of plane or another (9).
25 New oar I get in launch (9).
26 Liberal atmosphere Petrarch found inspiring (5).
27 Storm keeps 'em quiet in match (7).
28 Bloody Foreland? Not preferred choice of 18 *ac* (7).

DOWN

1 Note added about film actors (7).
2 Flower cut on public land in part of Ireland (9).
3 Sail in Italian gulf (5).
4 Foreign quality in Mexico? It's different (9).
5 Band heard in Northern town (5).
6 Fair description of England's stately homes (9).
7 They're hard catches (5).
8 Artist to draw 14's opening game (7).
14 French Polish seen on dance-floor (9).
16 Poet found in one Sterne novel (9).
17 Singer has stake in church service (9).
18 Board game to play in naval base (7).
20 Cambridge University (7).
22 Man holding up a cross, in principle (5).
23 Stuff made by company proverbially (5).
24 For example, turning over cover can make you cold (5).

Concise crossword, page 20

WORD-WATCHING

A daily safari through the language jungle. Which of the possible definitions is correct?

By Philip Howard

SEPTENTRIONAL
a. Seven-sided
b. Northern
c. A seventieth anniversary

LUCULLAN
a. Satirical
b. Luxurious and orgiastic
c. Sumptuary

CHIN MUSIC
a. Chat
b. Chinese chamber music
c. A KO blow

GUNNEL
a. The beam of a boat
b. A thinnish fish
c. A gun carriage

Answers on page 20, column 1

Solution to Puzzle No 17,787

S	H	E	L	L	A	C	■	S	A	C	K	B	U	T
T	■	M	■	A	■	R	■	A	■	U	■	L	■	R
R	O	B	I	N	H	O	O	D	■	R	E	E	V	E
O	■	A	■	D	■	S	■	■	■	I	■	S	■	A
K	O	R	E	A	■	S	A	W	H	O	R	S	E	S
E	■	G	■	U	■	S	■	A	■	■	■	E	■	U
■	F	O	L	L	O	W	M	Y	L	E	A	D	E	R
A	■	■	■	E	■	O	■	W	■	L	■	■	■	E
C	O	U	N	T	E	R	B	A	L	A	N	C	E	■
C	■	N	■	■	■	D	■	R	■	B	■	Z	■	P
O	R	G	A	N	I	S	E	D	■	O	K	A	P	I
L	■	O	■	A	■	■	■	N	■	R	■	R	■	G
A	U	D	I	O	■	S	K	E	D	A	D	D	L	E
D	■	L	■	M	■	U	■	S	■	T	■	A	■	O
E	L	Y	S	I	A	N	■	S	T	E	P	S	O	N

WEATHER

Cool start, then a pleasant dry day of autumn sunshine over much of Britain. Cloud will thicken later with drizzle in north-west Scotland. Temperatures near or just below seasonal normal with light winds. Outlook: unsettled and windy with showers in north and north-western areas.

ABROAD

MIDDAY: t=thunder; d=drizzle; fg=fog; s=sun; sl=sleet; sn=snow; f=fair; c=cloud; r=rain

	C	F			C	F	
Ajaccio	25	77	s	Madrid	25	77	s
Akrotiri	26	79	s	Majorca	27	81	s
Algiers	29	84	s	Malaga	24	75	s
Amst'dm	13	55	f	Malta	26	79	f
Athens	27	81	f	Melb'rne	18	64	f
Bahrain	35	95	s	Miami*	31	88	s
Barbads*	31	88	f	Milan	24	75	s
Barcelna	24	75	c	Montreal*	13	55	c
Belgrade	27	81	s	Moscow	18	64	s
Berlin	15	59	f	Munich	21	70	f
Bermuda*	26	79	r	Nairobi	23	73	f
Biarritz	17	63	c	Naples	25	77	s
Borde'x	12	54	r	N Delhi	32	90	s
Brussels	14	57	s	N York*	25	77	s
Budapst	25	77	s	Nice	23	73	f
B Aires*	21	70	s	Oslo	14	57	s
Cairo	31	88	s	Paris	15	59	f
C'blanca	24	75	s	Peking	22	72	c
Chicago*	18	64	c	Perth	17	63	f
Ch'church	14	57	f	Prague	18	64	c
Cologne	15	59	f	Reykjvik	3	37	f
C'phagn	14	57	f	Rhodes	25	77	s
Corfu	27	81	s	Rio de J	19	66	r
Dublin	12	54	f	Riyadh	39	102	s
Dubrovnik	25	77	s	Rome	23	73	s
Faro	27	81	s	Salzburg	22	72	f
Florence	24	75	s	S F'risco*	21	70	s
Frankfurt	14	57	f	Santiago*	29	84	s
Funchal	24	75	s	S Paulo*	18	64	c
Geneva	20	68	c	Seoul	25	77	s
Gibraltar	23	73	s	Sing'por	30	86	f
Helsinki	14	57	c	St'kholm	14	57	f
Hong K	28	82	s	Strasb'rg	13	55	r
Innsbrck	20	68	f	Sydney	28	82	s
Istanbul	23	73	f	Tangier	28	82	s
Jeddah	35	95	s	Tel aviv	29	84	s
Jo'burg*	21	70	s	Tenerife	26	79	s
L Palmas	25	77	s	Tokyo	22	72	c
Le Tquet	14	57	f	Toronto*	13	55	s

* denotes Wednesday's figures are latest available

AROUND BRITAIN

	Sun hrs	Rain in	Max C	F	
Scarboro	5.9	.01	17	63	bright
Bridlington	7.4	-	14	57	sunny
Cromer	7.7	.11	17	63	sunny
Clacton	2.7	.06	16	61	shower
Southend	1.4	.14	16	61	shower
Margate	3.8	.01	17	63	shower
Folkestone	2.8	.08	17	63	bright
Eastbourne	2.3	.11	17	63	cloudy
Brighton	2.7	.08	15	59	gale
Worthing	3.5	.16	16	61	bright
Littlehmptn	3.2	.20	16	61	shower
Bognor R	3.2	.20	16	61	shower
Southsea	3.3	.18	16	61	shower
Shanklin	3.6	.30	15	59	bright
Bournemth	3.6	.23	17	63	shower
Poole	4.1	.41	16	61	shower
Swanage	2.8	.31	16	61	shower
Weymouth	3.7	.35	16	61	shower
Exmouth	5.4	.14	15	59	bright
Teignmouth	5.5	.17	15	59	bright
Falmouth	5.8	.29	15	59	shower
Penzance	6.1	.27	16	61	sunny
Newquay	6.2	.31	15	59	shower
Minehead	7.0	.27	15	59	shower
Morecambe	2.6	1.00	13	55	shower
Anglesey	5.3	.17	14	57	shower
Colwyn Bay	4.0	.33	13	55	bright
Tenby	5.2	.25	15	59	sunny
Aberdeen	7.1	-	15	59	sunny
Aviemore	3.6	.24	13	55	shower
Glasgow	4.1	.08	14	57	shower
Kinloss	3.8	.31	15	59	shower
Lerwick	2.2	.43	12	54	shower
Prestwick	1.2	.13	13	55	shower
Stornoway	1.7	.33	11	52	shower
Tiree	4.4	.17	12	54	shower
Wick	4.1	.05	13	55	shower
Belfast	5.3	.24	13	55	hail

* Denotes figures not available

HIGH TIDES

TODAY	AM	HT	PM	HT
London Bridge	5.28	7.0	5.41	7.2
Aberdeen	4.46	4.3	5.14	3.9
Avonmouth	10.53	12.8	11.14	12.3
Belfast	2.31	3.5	2.55	3.5
Cardiff	10.38	11.9	10.59	11.4
Devonport	9.35	5.3	9.58	5.1
Dover	2.27	6.5	2.42	6.6
Falmouth	9.05	5.1	9.28	4.9
Glasgow	4.22	5.1	4.30	4.9
Harwich	3.23	3.9	3.36	4.1
Holyhead	1.39	5.7	2.02	5.3
Hull	9.51	7.6	10.17	7.0
Ilfracombe	9.33	8.6	9.58	8.5
Leith	6.12	5.6	6.47	5.2
Liverpool	2.37	9.5	2.55	8.9
Lowestoft	12.57	2.3	1.08	2.6
Margate	3.36	4.6	3.43	4.9
Milford Haven	9.49	6.7	10.12	6.5
Newquay	8.41	6.8	9.05	6.5
Oban	8.58	3.6	9.33	3.5
Penzance	8.40	5.4	9.05	5.2
Portland	10.27	2.2	11.04	2.0
Portsmouth	2.58	4.7	3.19	4.7
Shoreham	2.36	6.2	2.54	6.1
Southampton	2.15	4.5	2.38	4.4
Swansea	9.50	9.3	10.17	9.0
Tees	7.17	5.5	7.39	5.1
W'ton-on-Nze	3.18	4.1	3.32	4.3

Tide measured in metres: 1m=3.2808ft. Times are BST

THE POUND

	Bank Buys	Bank Sells
Australia $	2.24	2.12
Austria Sch	23.15	21.95
Belgium Fr	69.60	66.10
Canada $	2.135	2.025
Denmark Kr	12.57	11.97
Finland Mkk	7.80	7.40
France Fr	11.17	10.62
Germany Dm	3.28	3.12
Greece Dr	263	248
Hong Kong $	13.65	12.90
Ireland Pt	1.222	1.162
Italy Lira	2460	2330
Japan Yen	238	225
Netherlands Gld	3.71	3.52
Norway Kr	12.11	11.51
Portugal Esc	270	256
South Africa Rd	4.80	4.10
Spain Pta	216.50	205.50
Sweden Kr	11.32	10.72
Switzerland Fr	2.78	2.64
USA $	1.76	1.67
Yugoslavia Dnr	5650	4650

Rates for small denomination bank notes only as supplied by Barclays Bank PLC. Different rates apply to travellers' cheques.

Retail Price Index: 107.9 (August)

London: The *FT* index closed up 11.2 at 1407.5.

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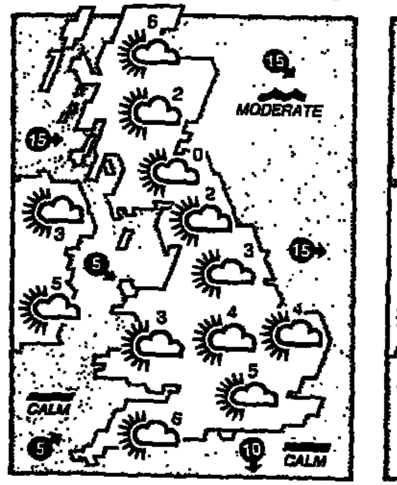

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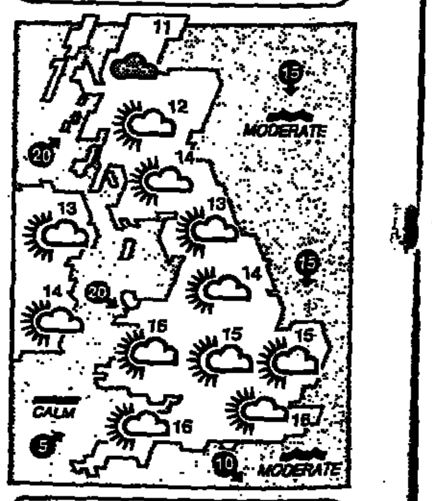


LONDON

Yesterday: Temp: max 6 am to 6 pm, 17C (63F); min 6 pm to 6 am, 9C (48F) Humidity: 6 pm, 51 per cent. Rain: 24hr to 6 pm, 0.01in Sun: 24 hr to 6 pm, 10hrs. Bar. mean sea level, 6 pm, 1018.6 millibars, rising
1,000 millibars=29.53in.

TOWER BRIDGE

Tower Bridge will be lifted at the following times today: 4pm, 4.30pm, 5.05pm, 7.45pm, 10.50pm and 11.40pm

LIGHTING-UP TIME

London 7.10 pm to 6.31 am
Bristol 7.20 pm to 6.41 am
Edinburgh 7.20 pm to 6.46 am
Manchester 7.18 pm to 6.41 am
Penzance 7.32 pm to 6.52 am

Sun rises: 7.00 am
Sun sets: 6.40 pm
Moon sets 1.40 pm
Moon rises 8.30 pm
Last Quarter October 2

MANCHESTER

Yesterday: Temp: max 6 am to 6 pm, 13C (55F); min 6 pm to 6 am, 7C (45F) Rain: 24hr to 6 pm, 0.42 in. Sun: 24 hr to 6 pm, 8.2hr.

HIGHEST & LOWEST

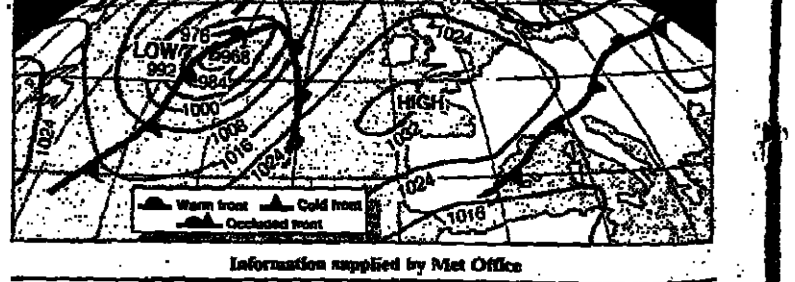
Wednesday: Temp: max 6 am to 6 pm, 16C (61F); min 6 pm to 6 am, 13C (55F) Humidity: 6 pm, 87 per cent. Rain: 24hr to 6 pm, 0.27in Sun: 24 hr to 6 pm, 3.8 hr. Bar. mean sea level, 6 pm, 1004.2 millibars, rising
1,000 millibars=29.53in.

YESTERDAY

Temperatures at midday yesterday: c, cloud; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun.

	C	F			C	F	
Belfast	12	54	f	Guernsey	14	57	f
B'rmgham	13	55	f	Inverness	8	46	f
Blackpool	12	54	f	Jersey	16	61	f
Bristol	14	57	f	London	15	59	f
Cardiff	15	59	f	M'nchster	12	54	f
Edinburgh	9	48	r	Newcastle	11	52	s
Glasgow	9	48	r	R'aldsway	11	52	f

NOON TODAY



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MARKETS	THE POUND
FT 30 Share 1477.6 (+11.2)	US dollar 1.6825 (–0.0040)
FT-SE 100 1829.0 (+16.5)	W German mark 3.1665 (+0.0001)
USM (Datastream) 160.51 (+0.97)	Trade-weighted 75.8 (same)

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SPORT 33-38

Executive Editor
David Brewerton

Beazer in £28m sale

Beazer has announced the sale for $48 million (£28.57 million) of three companies belonging to its 49 per cent owned associate, Koppers. Results of an auction for the chemicals division of Koppers are expected by the middle of next month.

Tempus, page 24

United up 11%

United Newspapers, the publishing and financial information group, disappointed the market with interim profits 11 per higher at £53.6 million. Earnings per share fell from 20.2p to 18.6p. Shares slipped 7p to 391p.

Tempus, page 24

Geest higher

Geest, the distributor of bananas and other fresh produce, increased pre-tax profits in the six months to the beginning of July from £7.7 million to £9.2 million. An interim dividend of 2.25p was declared, up from 1.9p last time.

Tempus, page 24

Bond increase

The Australian brewer Mr Alan Bond last night confirmed that he has raised his stake in Allied-Lyons, the food and drinks group, from 7 per cent to 11.08 per cent. The Allied share price rose another 4p to a peak of 468p.

Market report, page 26

STOCK MARKETS

New York	
Dow Jones	2108.11 (+22.58)*
Tokyo	
Nikkei Average	27700.13 (–51.88)
Hong Kong:	
Hang Seng	2439.39 (–10.36)
Amsterdam: Gen	272.8 (+2.6)
Sydney: AO	1542.6 (–2.8)
Frankfurt:	
Commerzbank	1564.2 (+10.0)
Brussels:	
General	5235.1 (–0.2)
Paris: CAC	377.4 (+3.8)
Zurich: SKA Gen	479.3 (+0.6)
London:	
FT.—A All-Share	946.96 (+9.17)
FT.— "500"	1030.56 (+9.69)
FT. Gold Mines	172.4 (+1.6)
FT. Fixed interest	96.42 (+0.06)
FT. Govt Secs	88.31 (+0.51)
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MAIN PRICE CHANGES

RISES:	
S & W Berisford	413½p (+24p)
Harrison Crosfield	667½p (+29p)
Lloyds	320½p (+16½p)
Gateway Corp	175p (+10½p)
Jaguar	258½p (+13p)
Enterprise	661p (+18½p)
Renishaw	229½p (+12p)
Morgan Grenfell	293p (+12p)
AB Foods	319p (+13p)
Ultramar	255p (+11p)
Inchcape	212½p (+12½p)
UK Land	792½p (+85p)
TV-AM	152½p (+7p)
Pittard Garner	216½p (+39p)
Local London	550p (+25p)
Frogmore	421½p (+17p)
FALLS:	
Sun Life	982½p (–31p)
Candover	407p (–13p)
Authority Inv	200p (–10p)
Strong & Fisher	245½p (–12p)
Closing prices	
Bargains	26248

INTEREST RATES

London: Bank Base: 12%
3-month Interbank 11⅞-11¾%
3-month eligible bills:11$^{9}/_{16}$-11½%
buying rate
US: Prime Rate 10%
Federal Funds 8$^{5}/_{16}$%*
3-month Treasury Bills 7.29-7.28%*
30-year bonds 100$^{3}/_{16}$-100¼*

CURRENCIES

London:	New York:
£: $1.6825	£: $1.6825*
£: DM3.1665	$: DM1.8823*
£: SwFr2.6760	$: SwFr1.5930*
£: FFr10.7697	$: FFr6.4055*
£: Yen225.79	$: Yen134.33*
£: Index:75.8	$: Index:99.7
ECU £0.654851	SDR £0.766291

GOLD

London Fixing:
AM $398.60 pm-$398.50
close $397.50-398.00 (£236.25-236.75)
New York:
Comex $397.40-397.90*

NORTH SEA OIL

Brent (Nov) .... pm $12.65 bbl
* Denotes latest trading price

THE TIMES STOCK WATCH

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- Market news on Stockwatch yesterday included: Pittard Group (01603) leapt 39p after rejecting a bid; Anglia Secure Homes (02500) jumped 17p on a rights issue for an acquisition; merchant bank Morgan Grenfell (02768) went 17p stronger amid German bid hopes; Sun Life (02082) fell 49p due to nervousness ahead of the egm.
- Recent additions include: Land Securities 10% debenture p/p 02457; Waverley Cameron 7½% conv pref 03456.
- Calls charged 5p for 8 seconds peak, 12 seconds off peak inc. VAT.

Harvard loses battle to stay in securities

By Lawrence Lever

Harvard Securities, the controversial share dealer, has closed virtually all its securities operations and laid off 120 staff.

Harvard, which has struggled to gain acceptance from regulatory authorities, last night said it "has decided to stop making markets in all securities" due to "low volumes of business being transacted and high overheads."

The closure will affect thousands of investors who purchased shares in the unquoted OTC companies which Harvard specialized in selling to the public. Harvard was often the only market-maker in these companies and investors will not be able to sell shares except on a limited "matched bargain" basis, putting together a willing buyer and seller.

Investors who bought shares in Harvard Group plc, the parent, will lose most, if not all, of the value of their investments. About 45 per cent of Harvard is in public hands.

Mr Tom Wilmot, the chairman, insisted the effective closure of Harvard Securities did not spell the end for Harvard Group plc. He said the parent had interests in a couple of private companies and would use these as the nucleus "to build an industrial holdings group."

A shadow has been over Harvard Securities for months as it became apparent it would struggle to gain acceptance from any of the new regulatory bodies.

Harvard had applied to the Securities Association, Fimbra, and the Securities and Investments Board for authorization although it withdrew its application to Fimbra. Mr Wilmot insisted no authority had refused its application.

"We haven't been turned down by TSA or SIB. We are pulling out of the securities business because it's too expensive to run the business," he said.

In its heyday Harvard claimed to have more than 150,000 private clients and to make markets in the shares of 400 companies, including public companies.

However, it ran into trouble with the authorities over its dealing methods — many investors who bought the unquoted shares in which Harvard made a market claimed it was difficult to sell them.

Disgruntled Harvard investors have been lobbying the Department of Trade and Industry, which has received 300 complaints about Harvard since 1984.

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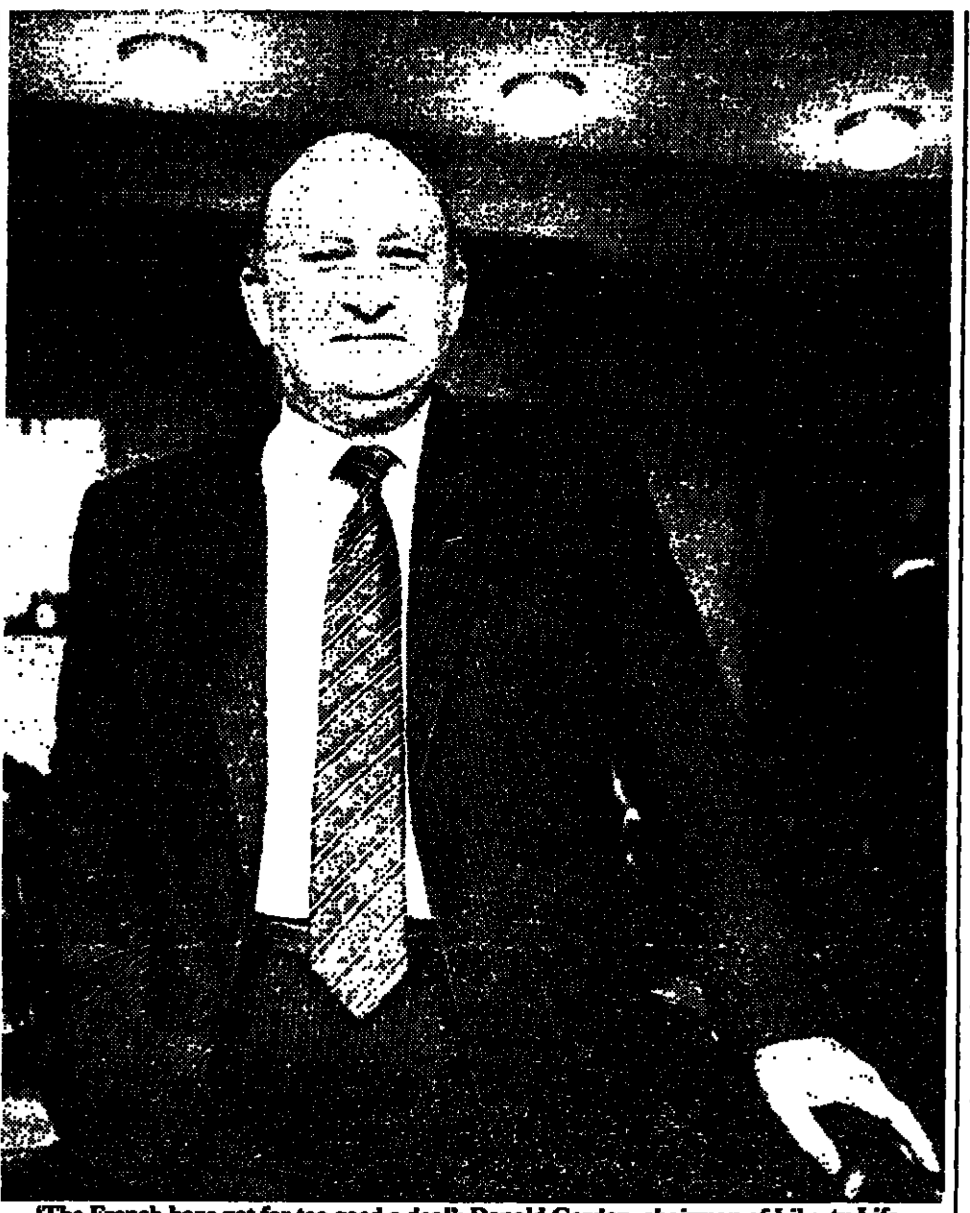


'The French have got far too good a deal': Donald Gordon, chairman of Liberty Life

Japanese set for £1.3bn GrandMet hotels deal

By Cliff Feltham

Grand Metropolitan, the food and drinks group, is poised to sell its Inter-Continental Hotels chain to Seibu Saison, the Japanese conglomerate, for £1.35 billion.

The deal, expected to be announced overnight in Tokyo, will give GrandMet £1.2 billion net and is likely to pave the way for a massive acquisition by the British group, triggering speculation yesterday in the shares of one of its most widely tipped targets, Cadbury Schweppes.

Mr Allen Sheppard, chairman of GrandMet, invited a worldwide auction for its hotel business last month and with his advisers has been evaluating the bids. But there was widespread confusion yesterday when reports from Japan, carried on British news agencies, suggested the prize of 100 hotels and 37,000 rooms had been won by the Saison group.

The move forced GrandMet to rush out a statement confirming it was in discussions with Saison. "No final agreement has been signed at this time. A further statement will be issued as soon as possible," it said.

However, observers believe the deal is as good as signed and only minor details need to be worked out. The Saison group has about 100 subsidaries, the largest of which is Saison Credit, which is thought to be handling the Inter-Continental deal.

Inter-Continental, bought from Pan American World Airways for £265 million in 1981, was set for record trading profits of £50 million this year but no longer fitted with GrandMet's strategy of developing in the drinks, foods, betting-gaming and retailing sectors.

Analysts believe GrandMet is unlikely to have made a decision to sell its hotels without having a clear idea of how to spend the money. Most believe it could easily make an acquisition of £2.5 billion and Cadbury Schweppes has been the most widely speculated name in the stock market, providing GrandMet with powerful food brands.

Yesterday, Cadbury shares jumped a further 9p to 384p. Other companies also strongly tipped, such as United Biscuits and Ranks Hovis McDougall, rose too.

Mr Ron Littleboy of Nomura, the Japanese securities house, said: "They could become vulnerable themselves if they just sit on the money. I believe they would like a European-orientated company in the food sector."

POSSIBLE BID TARGETS

Company	Price	Rise	Volume traded
Cadbury Schweppes	387	up 12	5.3 million shares
Ranks Hovis	383	up 5	1.1 million shares
United Biscuits	286	up 8	1.9 million shares
Grand Metropolitan	504	up 3	2.7 million shares

Close result expected over Sun Life's French link-up

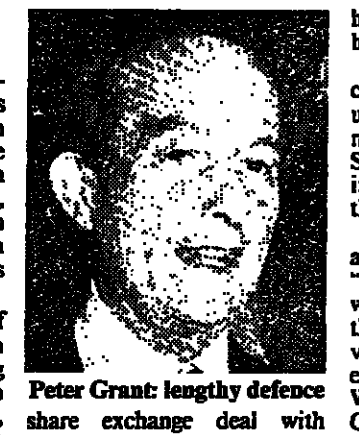
By Richard Thomson
Banking Correspondent

All the signs are that yesterday's vote on Sun Life's scheme to link up with Union des Assurances de Paris, the French insurance group, was a close-run thing. The result, however, will not be known until this morning, because an exact count of the votes was requested.

The delay was only one of several jarring features of Sun Life's extraordinary meeting at its City headquarters in Cheapside. Shareholders, investment analysts and the Press were crammed into four rooms on the eighth floor, because the main meeting room was not big enough.

Most of those at the egm, therefore, watched the proceedings on video screens. A spokesman for Trans-Atlantic Holdings, the subsidiary of Liberty Life which owns 28 per cent of Sun Life and asked for the exact count, said there were three or four different meetings in progress, and not just one.

Mr Peter Grant, Sun Life's chairman, delivered a lengthy defence of his company's share exchange deal with UAP. He repeated the argument that it was essential to move into European markets and that a link with the French company was the ideal method. The deal was not the result of any personal antipathy between himself and Mr Donald Gordon, chairman of Liberty Life, he said.



Peter Grant: lengthy defence

Mr Gordon replied, insisting that he had not fully made up his mind which way to vote. He was not against the £50 million rights issue which made up part of the the deal, but he thought the price of the share exchange deal with UAP was too high. "The French have got far too good a deal," he said.

He also disagreed in principal with the arrangement under which UAP would have no independent vote on the Sun Life board, despite holding more than 18 per cent of the company's shares.

"This is totally unacceptable to us," Mr Gordon said. "Imagine the precedent that would create." But he added that if shareholders finally voted the deal through, Liberty Life would support it. When the vote came, Mr Gordon opposed the deal.

It was unclear, however, how other leading shareholders had voted, as no institutional shareholder spoke at the meeting. Mr Grant declined to say what proxy votes had been cast, although he was asked to do so by Mr Gordon.

Although several large shareholders, such as Sun Alliance, reluctantly supported the deal, many institutions were unhappy with the terms negotiated with UAP.

Only two other speakers took the floor. They were both private shareholders, one strongly in support of the deal, the other strongly against it.

DTI meets ConsGold for talks on deals

By Colin Campbell

The Department of Trade and Industry yesterday met Consolidated Gold Fields to discuss suggestions of alleged insider trading in ConsGold shares and options ahead of last week's £2.9 billion Minorco bid, and was handed "various pieces of information."

The nature of the information given to the DTI officials, and the distinction between that already given to the London Stock Exchange to assist its investigations of share dealings in ConsGold, was not disclosed.

However, ConsGold said last night that the meeting with the DTI "had been very helpful". It is expected that other meetings to discuss various aspects of Minorco's bid will be held.

Minorco executives yesterday said they welcomed any inquiry into the trading activity in ConsGold and was already "doing all in its power" to assist.

Mr Roger Phillimore of Minorco, said: "We do not mind how many inquiries there are as long as they lead to a solution. We did not leak. We did not trade. Allegations of insider dealings have been harmful to our interests."

Mr Rudolph Agnew, chairman of ConsGold, last night resigned from the board of Anglo American Corporation. Mr Agnew, who was invited on to Anglo's board in the wake of the Anglo-De Beers dawn raid in 1980, said he felt obliged to resign in view of Minorco's hostile bid.

Full details of the banking syndicate which is raising £1 billion, will be in the formal offer document.

Contrary to earlier suggestions, Citibank yesterday denied it was part of the Swiss Bank Corporation syndicate.

Minorco believes that to drag the South African card across the bid lines, which it suggests ConsGold has done, "has let a genie out of a bottle, which is not to the advantage of all shareholders."

"Their attitude appears to be to defend ConsGold at any cost — and as a 29 per cent shareholder we can only say that that is not very smart," Minorco added that certain issues had not been addressed and "the falling gold price is something which should concentrate the minds of ConsGold,".

Mr Harry Oppenheimer, on whom three notices were served on Wednesday replied to the 212 request yesterday.

Family feud over best suites

From Joe Joseph, Tokyo

In Japan, where plush hotels resemble shopping malls, and department stores like to fawn on customers as if they were guests in a five-star hotel, there is little surprise in Seibu Saison's drive to strengthen its profile in the international hotels business.

Seibu Saison Group is perhaps best known for running the Seibu department store chain in Tokyo, where even a packet of noodles is wrapped as if it were a Cartier watch.

Mr Seiji Tsutsumi, a well-known Japanese entrepreneur, has built the business inherited from his father into one of the fastest growing and most keenly watched conglomerates in Japan. Its 100 companies have sales of Y3.5 trillion (£15.5 billion) a year and Mr Tsutsumi is hungry for more.

He realized sooner than most that Japan was turning into a post-industrial service society — and acted accordingly. Over the past 10 years he has transformed the Seibu department stores and supermarkets so that peanuts, pyjamas and plane tickets can be bought under the same roof.

He has also branched out successfully into consumer credit and insurance, and negotiated tie-ups or buyouts with many companies in Japan and overseas. He moved into the leisure field through a joint venture with Club Mediterranée, which has holiday villages worldwide and tried his luck with a new type of hotel in Tokyo's fashionable Ginza district open only to members.

But it is well known that Mr Tsutsumi, a part-time poet and novelist, is driven as much by a bitter personal rivalry with his brother as by his own commercial acumen and ambition.

Yoshiaki, Seiji's half-brother, inherited the family's railways and prized land bought at bargain prices after the Second World War from ruined members of Japan's Imperial family. On this land stands a chain of some of Tokyo's most luxurious hotels and the bedrock of an empire that has made Yoshiaki one of the world's richest men.

The two brothers do not get on and animosity has grown. Over the past few years Seiji's Saison Group has made an aggressive push into hotels and the leisure industry, once the preserve of his brother. By trespassing on Yoshiaki's domain, Seiji has brazenly turned the personal friction into a bitter business rivalry.

Fimbra blames legal delay for £3.4m loss

A £3.4 million deficit has been reported by one of the five self-regulating organizations responsible for the new system of investor protection.

Fimbra, which licenses independent financial intermediaries to deal with the public, blames the shortfall on Government delays in implementing the Financial Services Act.

This meant that admission and membership fees were £2.7 million below the projected £6.8 million. Last year Fimbra's deficit was £1.1 million.

The Barlow Clowes affair has also stretched Fimbra's resources since it triggered a tidal wave of complaints.

Fimbra's financial plight led to a £1.25 million aid package for the association by 50 insurance companies.

Brighter picture after battle with technicians

TV-am switches on with £7.8m profit

By Colin Narbrough

The TV-am management had every reason to look pleased yesterday when it presented half-way results showing a 56 per cent surge in pre-tax profits to £7.8 million and turnover 20 per cent higher at £28.8 million.

On the strength of the improvement, which well exceeded City expectations, the breakfast television company declared an interim dividend of 1.5p for the six months to the end of July, 50 per cent up on the same period last year.

Despite the bad publicity of last winter's dispute with its technicians, and threats from the broadcasting authorities about its programme content, TV-am viewing figures rose by 1 million to 14.8 million a week.

Operating profit before the Exchequer levy advanced nearly £4 million to £11.7 million, but the company rejected the idea that this largely reflected cost savings from its battle with the Association of Cinematograph, Television and Allied Technicians and the firing of 232 technicians. Mr Ian Irvine, the chairman, declined to put a figure on how much the balance sheet had gained from shedding costly technicians, but admitted that the company's fixed cost base had been reduced "substantially."

The savings were allowing TV-am to pursue its goal of achieving significantly higher discretionary spending, to hire more journalists, enhance its regional and international coverage, and streamline studio operations.

Mr Bruce Gyngell, the Australian managing director, commented:"We have sought to put the money up on the screen where it should be."

Investment income also increased — to £866,000 from £521,000 — and Mr Irvine added that the company is sitting on a £22 million cash pile. He ruled out any imminent joint ventures with Land-Leisure, the company through which Mr Peter de Savary bought a near 10 per cent stake in TV-am this year from the Australian entrepreneur, Mr Alan Bond. Mr de Savary took part in his first TV-am board meeting yesterday. Mr Irvine saw the interim dividend as fitting for the company's first half performance and in line with the sector. He gave a warning against reading too much into the modest 0.2p rise in earnings per share to 7.6p, as this was badly distorted by the higher tax charge.

TV-am's contribution next year to funding Channel 4 could cost £11 million, but its worst possible scenario foresees a net cost of only £2.5 million.

The amount of pre-sold advertising air time for the current half year is meanwhile showing a healthy increase.

On the production side, there are plans to introduce weekend news bulletins, an expanded David Frost programme on Sunday, a 90-minute Saturday sports show and more educational and regional content in its children's programmes.

Mr Gyngell underlined that in its discussions with the Independent Broadcasting Authority, there had never been any question of TV-am's franchise being withdrawn.

The shares rose 7p to close at 153p on the improved figures.

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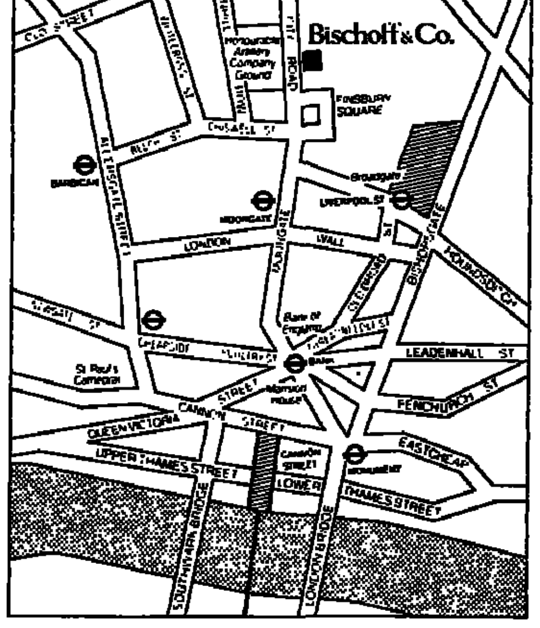

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BUSINESS ROUNDUP

Acquisitions increase Dowding to £7.15m

Dowding & Mills, the acquisitive Birmingham electrical and mechanical engineering group, yesterday reported a 28.1 per cent increase in pre-tax profits to £7.15 million for the year to June 30. Turnover was up 14.8 per cent to £52.32 million. The company said that the current year will also see improved results. Earlier this year the company acquired two electric motor repair companies on the Continent for about £3.4 million, Felten & Guilleaume Energietechnik, in West Germany, and Ateliers Electriques de Walferdange its service subsidiary, which is based in Luxembourg.

Earnings per share went up to 5.15p from 4.10p. The final dividend is 1.29p per share, making a total of 2.00p for the year, up on last year's 1.76p. Dowding's share price rose by 2p to 59p following the announcement of the improved figures.

Robinson in £8.5m buy

Thomas Robinson, the specialist engineering company, has bought Simon Millon Machinery Companies from Simon Engineering for £8.5 million. The deal will be financed by the issue of 2.43 million Robinson shares at 360p each. Net assets of the acquired group are £9 million, including a £1.73 million freehold property in Stockport.

Chemicals group bought

Ellis & Everard, the chemicals distributor, has acquired Midkem, the Mildlands chemicals group, for up to £4.6 million. It will pay an initial £1.6 million in cash, the balance depending on profits over the next two years. Midkem's profit, before exceptional items, for the year to end-April was £300,000.

Colroy rises to £2.6m

Colroy, the housebuilder which came to the stock market this summer, reports a 147 per cent increase in pre-tax profits to £2.6 million for the year to July 31, on turnover up 28 per cent at £14.65 million. Earnings per share rose from 10.04p to 25.02p, and the company is paying an 0.85p a share dividend.

The company is aiming to improve cost control and place greater emphasis on marketing. While the current year has started well, Colroy believes recent interest rate increases will have an effect on demand later this year. The shares moved up 6p to 151p following the announcement.

Tokyo listing for Saatchi

Saatchi & Saatchi has signed an agreement for the public offer of 1.56 million ordinary shares, at 338.3p each, on the Tokyo Stock Exchange. The advertising group said the offer closes on October 3 with payment on October 6. The ordinary shares will be listed in Tokyo on October 13 subject to approval from the Japanese Finance Ministry. Nomura Securities is the listing agent.

CI doubles at half time

CI Group, the Wolverhampton steel and engineering company, has more than doubled pre-tax profits to £2.51 million, on turnover up 46.3 per cent to £25.9 million. Earnings per share rose by 47.8 per cent to 2.35p. The interim dividend was raised from 0.525p to 0.7p. The company says trading is good and it is confident the present level of activity will continue in the second half.

HK banker in court

Mr Philip Kwok, the former chairman of Wing On Bank, appeared in court in Hong Kong yesterday on theft charges. Mr Kwok's sister, Genevieve, and Mr Kwok Man-cho, a director of Wing On Corporate Management, were also charged. They are accused of stealing 5 million shares in Wing On (Holdings) from Wing On Corporate Management.

The two men are further alleged to have stolen another 5 million Wing On (Holdings) shares in 1984. No pleas were taken and the cases were adjourned until November 10. All three were released on bail.

Amcor in £21.5m UK expansion

Melbourne (Reuter) – Amcor, the diversified forest products maker, is spending Aus$46 million (£21.5 million) on a new corrugated box plant in Britain.

The expansion is the first stage of an important move into British and Continental packaging markets.

"This will be Amcor's first direct investment in the UK," Mr Don Macfarlane, the international business development manager of Amcor, said yesterday.

"Our new plant will incorporate the most advanced equipment and technology and we expect to make an immediate market impact," he added.

Amcor has more than 20 corrugated box factories and a large share of the Australasian and Asian packaging markets.

The company's previous involvement in Britain was through its international trading subsidiary, Brown and Dureau Ltd, and Mayne Nickless, the 46 per cent-owned transport and security company.

The plant at March, Cambridgeshire, will be controlled by a new subsidiary, Amcor Packaging (Europe) Ltd.

Amcor last month reported a, 26 per cent increase in annual net profits to Aus$137.13 million for the year ending June 30.

Sales during the period increased by 12 per cent to Aus$2.9 billion.

Whatman Reeve lifts interims to £4.08m

By Our City Staff

Whatman Reeve Angel, the laboratory equipment group, lifted pre-tax profits from £3.61 million to £4.08 million in the first half of 1988 and is raising its interim dividend from 1.2p to 1.5p a share.

Earnings per share are 11.73p against 10.17p last time.

The directors expect the results for the full year to show satisfactory growth and remain confident about the group's longer-term prospects.

Group turnover was £21.99 million against £18.15 million, a 21 per cent increase, of which 14 per cent was contributed by Tri-dim Filter Corporation, a recent acquisition.

The real growth in sales has been masked by adverse currency movements. Had the sales of the overseas companies been assessed at June 30 exchange rates, turnover would have risen by 26 per cent.

Both operating divisions – Balston and Whatman International – continued to grow at an acceptable rate, particularly in North America. The rebuilding of the air filtration business is progressing well but is expected to take longer than planned.

TEMPUS

United News should reward patience

The stock market appears to have read the United Newspapers story well in advance of publication. The shares have been underperforming the market for some time and the details which emerged with the interim statement showed why.

The Extel acquisition has not lived up to earlier market expectations. Post-crash, financial information services apppear far less of a growth area than they did. And the costs of updating Extel to bring it more in line with the technology of its rivals have made an impact. Extel's racing services are now in direct competiton with the satellite televison broadcasts to betting shops from the SIS consortium. This is hurting margins.

Meanwhile, financial advertising is another casualty of the crash both in Britain and in the US. Only one or two industry sectors have been reporting good levels of advertising growth in the US publishing businss though United says that broadly its titles are holding on to market share.

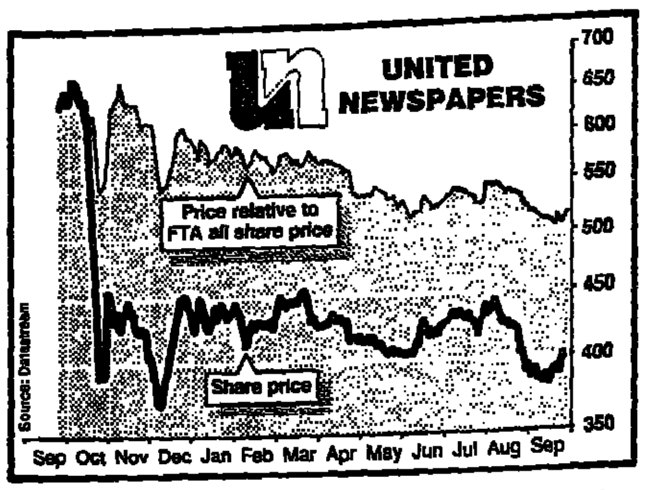
From Fleet Street, the news of United's national newspapers – *The Star, The Daily Express* and *The Sunday Express* – gives little cause for celebration. Over the past six months *The Daily Express* regained only a marginal part of the recent circulation losses. *The Sunday Express* and *The Star* continued to lose ground.

Last year the national newspapers were responding to the benefits of rationalization. But further progress must await the move to new production facilities and more efficient and modern technology.

There were, however, some bright spots. Advertising volume in the regional newspapers was well up and margins have responded too. There was a particularly strong performance from the advertising periodicals such as *Exchange and Mart* and *Daltons Weekly* at the Link House subsidiary.

The immediate cause of the 7p fall in United's shares to 391p after the figures was the drop in earnings per share from 20.2p to 18.6p. Taken with the absence of bullish comment about prospects, it led analysts to trim their forecasts for the full year from about £118 million to more like £112 million.

The prop for a p/e ratio of 10 is a yield approaching 7 per cent. Meanwhile, the market awaits a pick-up in advertising and the final elimination of the Fleet Street inefficiencies. The shares are a strong hold in the meantime and should reward the patient investor.



Geest

Despite the trend towards healthier eating habits, Britons still eat 50 per cent less fresh fruit than their Continental counterparts. However, as this differential narrows, Geest, one of the country's largest importers of fruit and vegetables, is benefiting.

The company's trading profits from fresh produce increased by 15 per cent to £8.9 million, and margins edged up slightly. This was impressive, as the weather in the half-year led to an oversupply of produce from growers, while slack demand from consumers put pressure on prices.

Margins on prepared foods dropped sharply, due to the maiden inclusion of the Clipper fish processing business. This added £15 million in sales, but only £146,000 of profit.

Profitability should improve, however, as expansion of the chilled recipe dish operation will bring economies of scale, while the development of additional value-added products will also enhance profitability.

Geest had £13.8 million of net cash at the period end, compared with £20 million at the end of last year. It has recently spent £10 million on Katie's Kitchen, but expects to build cash back to £10 million by the year-end. The high stock turn and low working capital requirements make the business very cash generative.

Capital expenditure requirements will be well above normal this year, double the 1987 figure at £18 million. Nearly half of this relates to a dedicated warehouse for Sainsbury in Maidstone, Kent.

The name of Geest is often on speculators' lips, as it is one of the few companies in the food manufacturing sector which are unhampered by mature businesses in long-term decline. Instead, it has a promising portfolio of activities, almost all of which are experiencing real growth.

However, the van Geest family holds 38 per cent, and the shares are already selling on a premium rating of 15 times earnings. Reported earnings per share rose 44 per cent last year, boosted by exceptional property sales.

This year the exceptional gains will be much lower, so on the face of it the earnings growth from this high base will appear to be well below Geest's stated objective of 20 per cent a year.

However, adjusting for the distortion of the exceptional items, underlying earnings growth from the core businesses should reach the target.

Despite a dreary start to the year, Geest should make at least £17 million this year. The rating is high, reflecting the quality of the business. So given the market's current disillusionment with the sector, the shares may do no more than mark time.

Beazer

The market is still smarting from Beazer's audacious and highly leveraged takeover of America's second largest aggregates producer, Koppers.

The shares have been notable underperformers and only now, on a prospective p/e ratio of six times and a yield of the same amount, are they showing signs of having hit bottom

In the wake of the failed management buyout for Koppers' chemicals division, an auction is now underway which should be concluded by the middle of next month.

The receipt of up to $700 million (£415 million) for these companies, together with a couple of million dollars for a handful of other Koppers operations, will do much to eliminate the goodwill and bring down borrowings.

Koppers is technically an associate, so Beazer's gearing is a relatively modest 60 per cent. If Koppers were a subsidiary, however, it could be double this, despite the much higher than expected valuation of Koppers' reserves.

Beazer's 1987-88 results are due on October 25. The market is looking for pre-tax profits of about £105 million. The construction sector is not in favour, so Beazer is unlikely to buck the trend despite the low rating.

However, if these disposals go well sentiment towards the company may mellow. Moreover, acquisitions are now virtually out of the question for Beazer given the low rating and high gearing.

Fourth bidder expected as deadline closes for NESL

By Derek Harris
Industrial Editor

At least three bids, and possibly four, to take over the beleaguered North East Shipyards (NESL) subsidiary of state-owned British Shipbuilders will be submitted today.

The fate of 2,400 jobs hangs on the outcome of the bids – 1,000 employees have already been laid off on partial pay.

Two certain bids due to arrive at the London headquarters of BS in time for today's noon deadline are from Mr Alex Copson's North Venture Shipping group and Mr Peter Zaachi's PZ Shipping Company. Both companies confirmed bids would be forthcoming.

But they will also be joined by Mr Albert le Blond who has mainly ship repairing interests, with some shipbuilding, on Wearside and Teesside. Mr le Blond, who has 35 years' experience in the shipping industry, said in Sunderland: "We shall be putting in a bid today. We would expect to use the NESL facilities mainly for shipbuilding."

Since a "for sale" sign was hoisted over the Wearside yards, loss-making BS has held talks with nearly 10 parties. But only four sealed bids are expected.

The likeliest fourth bidder is Mr Nat Puri, head of Melton Medes, a Nottingham group with interests in engineering, carpet manufacture and production of fibres, plastics and paper. Mr Puri returns to Britain today from West Germany.

Hopes on Wearside that any of the bids will save NESL as a substantial shipbuilder are not high. The Copson bid will depend on whether government licences are forthcoming for North Venture to build 40 specialized ships for dumping waste in ocean deeps.

Mr Copson also wants the Government to foot the wages bill at NESL for at least eight to 10 months while the shipyards are prepared for production. Laid-off workers are entitled to 75 per cent of wages.

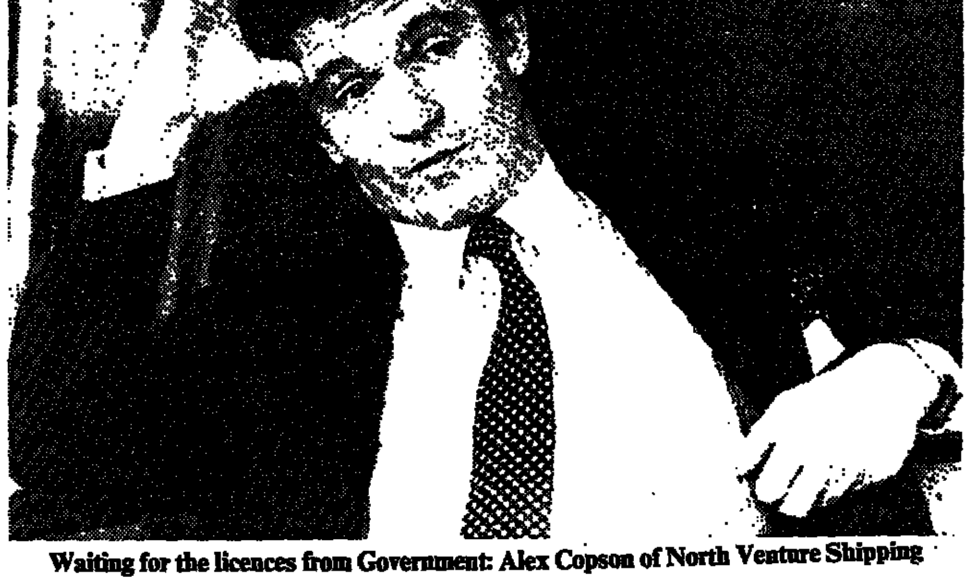
Mr Copson said he would expect licences to be available at the latest by the end of the eight to 10-month period but if they were allotted earlier it could cut down the wage bill payment period.

Since he announced his plans for the waste ships, which would be built at a rate of about 2.2 ships a year at NESL, he has had approaches to construct the vessels from both the Netherlands and Spain, said Mr Copson.

The Zaachi bid depends on a £110 million Cuban order for 10 cargo ships. Although the Cubans have become increasingly impatient about the lack of resolution at NESL, the deal might still succeed because the Government would be willing to contribute up to £30 million in subsidies if the yards went to a private buyer able to take on any later cost problems.

In contrast, Mr le Blond said his plans for the shipyard would "not necessarily" depend on winning the Cuban order. But he is not yet disclosing the extent of his plans for NESL.

BS is expected to evaluate the sealed bids next month and could then nominate a preferred bidder. But if none is chosen or if negotiations fail, the closure of NESL is expected to go ahead.



Waiting for the licences from Government: Alex Copson of North Venture Shipping

Humes group operations sold to CSR

Sydney (Reuter) – CSR, the industrial conglomerate, has agreed to buy the concrete products business of Humes group in Britain, Australia and Fiji.

Mr Geoffrey Kells, CSR's building materials managing director, said CSR had agreed with Humes not to reveal the price.

"But the price that we paid was in keeping with price/earnings ratios.".

Humes was bought this month by Melbourne's Smorgon family.

Humes's concrete pipes and precast concrete products have annual sales of Aus$200 million (£91.7 million).

Caird plans more buys with £12.5m rights as figures soar

By Our City Staff

Caird Group, the waste disposal company, is raising £12.5 million through a one-for-two rights issue at 240p per share to fund further acquisitions.

Details accompany news of a massive leap in pre-tax profits at Caird, from £49,000 to £1.46 million, in the year to June 30. Turnover rose fivefold to £5.89 million. Shares fell 5p to 308p on the news.

During the last ten months the group has made 14 acquisitions in the waste disposal and environmental service sector at a total cost of £14.3 million. The latest deal, the £3.5 million purchase of Technosafe of the Midlands which specializes in the treatment of toxic waste, was completed two days ago. Caird said the acquired companies exceeded expectations with profits of £685,000 on a turnover of £2.6 million.

The previous acquisitions were funded by borrowings, which were substantially reduced following the sale of most of Caird's property portfolio for £9.65 million in August.

Originally a property investment company, Caird has been converted into an environmental services group. Mr Peter Linacre, the chairman, said yesterday: "Our property base provided initial asset support as we moved into environmental services. The returns in the property sector are not comparable with those achievable in environmental services."

Earnings per share during the year rose 14.27p from a previous 0.65p. The final dividend is 3p, making a total of 4p, compared with 0.5p last time.

Liffe fulfils its ambition with Bund contract

By Colin Narbrough

The London International Financial Futures Exchange (Liffe) yesterday launched its "Bund," or West German government bond futures contract, fulfilling its long-cherished ambition to offer bond contracts in the world's four most traded currencies.

West German government securities represent one of the biggest internationally traded debt markets, alongside the United States, Japan and Britain, but the cautious West German authorities have needed some persuasion before approving the Liffe move.

Bund futures provide for the delivery of cash West German government bonds with maturities of eight-and-a-half to 10 years, complementing Liffe's existing contracts in British gilts, US Treasury bonds and Japanese government bonds.

Mr Norman Lamont, the Financial Secretary to the Treasury, who launched Bund trading by ringing the Liffe bell at breakfast yesterday, congratulated the five-year-old exchange on the new contract, describing it as an important addition to the products available in London.

Not only did it enhance the City's position as a financial centre, he said, but "this is another practical step by the United Kingdom in preparation for the single European market."

Mr David Burton, the Liffe chairman, said the Bund futures contract provided the first hedging instrument for an important cash market.

But Liffe's latest product is causing alarm in the West German financial community, where the move has been seen as a potential threat to the country's plans to launch its own futures and options exchange at the end of next year.

Liffe has made clear its desire to establish itself as Europe's premier futures exchange as the single European market approaches, a strategy other centres, such as Frankfurt, fear could leave them as mere satellites.

West German institutions are already present in the London futures market, and three West German banks actually have seats on Liffe.

Japanese challenge anti-dumping duty

By Our City Staff

Three Japanese photocopier makers have submitted separate letters to the European Commission, saying they are already meeting the 40 per cent local content requirement set under European Community anti-dumping rules.

This came in response to this week's Brussels proposal to extend anti-dumping duties to "screwdriver" plants operated in Europe by the three firms – Konica, Matsushita and Toshiba.

Anti-dumping duties are already imposed on copiers imported directly from Japan.

Japanese companies claim to have increased their procurement of components within the EEC, but have declined to give figures.

Despite an 80 per cent share of the £720 million EEC annual market, the Japanese argue that they do not compete directly with European manufacturers which mainly produce larger copiers, while Japanese firms dominate the market for smaller models.

New look for Olivetti

Ivrea, Italy (Reuter) – Olivetti, the computer group, is restructuring into three new divisions – Olivetti office, Olivetti systems and networks and Olivetti information services – from January 1.

Signor Carlo de Benedetti, the chairman, said in a company statement that the restructuring "responds to the changes taking place as the information technology market is increasingly characterized by a growing number of mission-specific operators."

Olvetti said that, from 1990, the three new corporate divisions would become companies in their own right, wholly owned by the parent company.

COMPANY BRIEFS

NORMAN HAY (Int) *Pre-tax:* £0.906 (£0.614)m *EPS:* 3.8p (2.6p) *Div:* 0.66p (0.5667p)	Profits rose by 47.6 per cent, with turnover rising by 36.8 per cent to £7.812m (£5.714m). Board is seeking further acquisitions.
CLINTON CARDS (Int) *Pre-tax:* £0.151 (£0.197)m *EPS:* 0.8p (1.4p) *Div:* 1.0p	The group has accelerated its pace of expansion with 82 shops trading at the end of July. Turnover improved to £7.632m (£4.939m).
HEADLAM, SIMS (Int) *Pre-tax:* £0.566 (£0.459)m *EPS:* 3.8p (3.1p) *Div:* 0.75p	Group's programme of developing and marketing new products has continued to progress satisfactorily. Turnover £10.755m (£10.183m).
CAPITAL & REG PROP (Int) *Pre-tax:* £0.302 (£0.173)m *EPS:* 1.75p (0.95p) *Div:* 0.2p (0.1p)	Chairman said the momentum of the group's activities had accelerated, with further acquisitions. Rental and management fees £0.97 (£0.68)m.
THROG DUAL TST (Fin) *Pre-tax:* £2.027 (£1.693)m *EPS:* 6.70p (6.47p) *Div:* 4.0p mkg 6.0p	NAV per capital share 750.4p (937.9p). NAV per income share 35.6p (44.4p).
WHITTINGTON (Int) *Pre-tax:* £0.269 (£0.081)m *EPS:* 1.2p (0.3p) *Div:* 0.2p	Group is committed to expanding by organic growth and strategic acquisitions. Turnover improved to £5.990m (£2.944m).

Brierley reports 'impressive recovery' since slump

IEL profit crashes to £27m

Sydney (Reuter) – Net profits at Industrial Equity, the Australian investment group, crashed by 75 per cent to Aus$58.03 million (£27.04 million) in the year to June 30 from Aus$230.12 million the year before.

But Sir Ron Brierley, the chairman, said that the company's financial position has improved since December 31 1987, and is "a lot better than reflected in the profit and loss figures."

"The deficit of Aus$276 million in the investment fluctuation provision has been replaced by a surplus of Aus$327 million, which is an impressive recovery in only six months and indicative of the resilience of IEL's strategic portfolio," he said.

The results were adversely affected by the market crash which Brierley said had exposed certain group imbalances. IEL's priority since the crash has been to improve the quality of assets represented by borrowed funds. This is being achieved by asset sales, although these have not been due to any real or perceived financial pressure, he said.

"There is still some way to go before IEL can be regarded as fully on course with a coherent growth profile for the 1990's, but the mood is vastly more positive than this time last year," he added.

Meanwhile, New Zealand's Brierley Investments will reveal on Monday how it rode out last October's world stock market crash, but brokers will concentrate on the balance sheet rather than the profit. They are forecasting a net profit between NZ$270 million (£98.82 million) and NZ$350 million for the year to June 30 against last year's NZ$342.08 million. "I would expect (annual net profit) to be less than NZ$300 million, but the key thing people should focus on is the balance sheet," a broker said.

He added that BIL had disposed of many good investments and had problems with some holdings of IEL, which is 51 per cent-owned by BIL.

Sales by IEL that made healthy profits during the year included Winstone, a wholly-owned building supplier and 15 per cent of Petroleum Corporation of New Zealand. There has been widespread speculation of a hot debate over the sales between Sir Ron Brierley and Mr Paul Collins and Mr Bruce Hancox, his deputies. But the sales are expected to produce a healthier balance sheet.

Bousted on mend with £1m first-half profits

By Cliff Feltham

Boustead, the overseas trading company, is being knocked into shape under its new management team headed by Mr Michael Noakes, a former BTR executive.

Pre-tax profits for the first half of the year, reported yesterday, rose from £368,000 last time to just over £1 million.

Earnings per share more than doubled to 1.16p.

The second half should show the benefits of its recent clutch of acquisitions, including Camotech, the aircraft seat maker.

The company's spread of activities – distribution, transportation services, and manufacturing – could be strenghened by further acquisitions, which will also reduce dependency on its Singapore trading business.

Shareholders collect an interim dividend of 0.3p, up from 0.1p.

Mr Tommy Macpherson, the chairman, said Boustead was now on the mend. "The period of intensive care and convalescence is now behind us, the management has shown that it is in a position to take a progressive and expansionary view with considerable confidence."

The shares rose 1p to 42p.

Takeover attempt on RHM boosts Goodman to £136m

From Richard Battley
Sydney

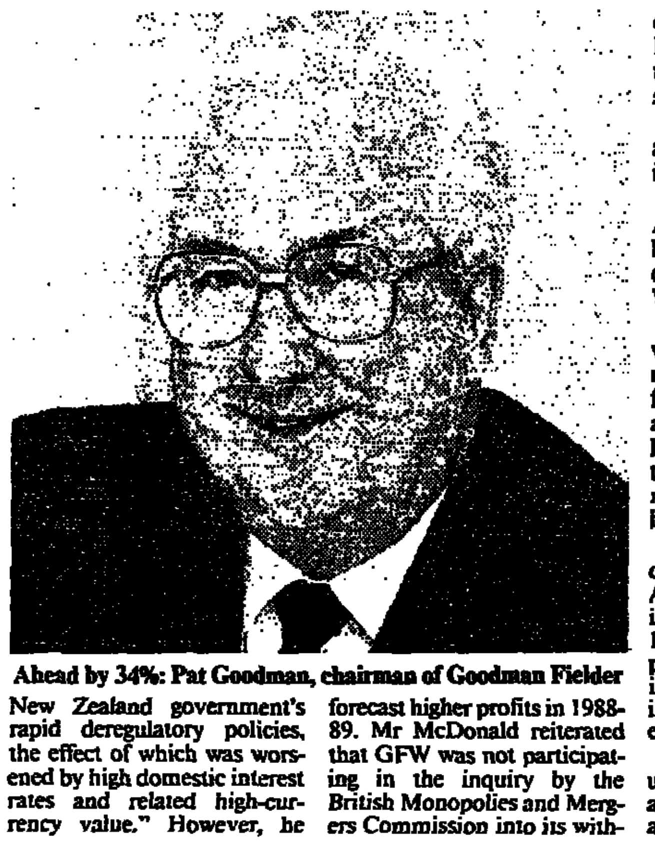
Earnings from its aborted takeover target, Ranks Hovis McDougall, helped boost pre-tax profits at Goodman Fielder Wattie by 34 per cent to Aus$292 million (£136 million) in the year to end-June.

But operating profit for the food group's core businesses rose by only 7 per cent to Aus$103 million. This was due to disappointing results in New Zealand, but was offset by stakes in RHM and Elders IXL, the brewing group.

Turnover at GFW, led by Mr Pat Goodman, rose 44 per cent to Aus$2.2 billion, due mainly to the extra revenue from Wattie Industries, the New Zealand food processor with which it merged last November.

That and other aggressive acquisitions pushed interest costs up by 107 per cent to Aus$185 million.

Mr Duncan McDonald, the managing director, blamed the poor domestic results on "the New Zealand government's rapid deregulatory policies, the effect of which was worsened by high domestic interest rates and related high-currency value." However, he forecast higher profits in 1988-89. Mr McDonald reiterated that GFW was not participating in the inquiry by the British Monopolies and Mergers Commission into its withdrawn Aus$3.6 billion bid for RHM. Its 30 per cent stake in the target company was for sale, he said.



Ahead by 34%: Pat Goodman, chairman of Goodman Fielder

RHM had rejected the offer and said it "should be ignored."

An extraordinary loss of Aus$61 million (Aus$46 million profit previously) mainly comprised write-downs of Wattie assets.

GFW's interest in Elders was included in the Aus$97 million equity-accounted profits. However, since the balance sheet date, 180 million Elders shares have been sold to Petitio, a GFW-AFP investments joint venture, which holds 18.5 per cent of Elders.

That sale, plus the disposal of non-core units, injected Aus$484 million cash, reducing the debt to equity ratio to 1.13:1. This compares with a previous 1.33:1. The purchase in June of Meneba NV was included but the Dutch baker's earnings were not.

Directors declared a final, unfranked dividend of 6 cents, a total of 11 cents for 1987-88, against 7.8 cents last time.

MP hits out at 'delay' on Clowes

Mr George Foulkes, Labour MP for Carrick, Cumnock and Doon Valley, yesterday criticized Lord Young, the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry, over the "unacceptable delay" in publishing the report by Sir Godfray Le Quesne into the Barlow Clowes affair.

"The report was in Lord Young's hands over two weeks ago," Mr Foulkes said. "Until it is published and a statement made, all progress on compensation is at a standstill".

The DTI was unable to give any indication yesterday as to when Sir Godfray's 150-page report would be published. The report is believed to be a purely factual account which does not make judgements on the department's handling of the Barlow Clowes affair.

Frogmore up to £39.5m

Frogmore Estates, the property company, yesterday reported profits before tax sharply higher at £39.5 million for last year, up from £15.8 million last time.

Net assets are £182 million or 463p a share, a rise of 65 per cent. The dividend payout of 10p a share, up 16 per cent, is covered four and a half times by earnings. In the stock market the shares rose 19p to 424p.

Ship canal meeting date

The extraordinary general meeting called by the Manchester Ship Canal Company to revise its structure will be held on October 6 at the Lesser Free Trade Hall in Manchester.

The meeting was postponed from yesterday at the request of the Stock Exchange following representations from some shareholders.

Raine waits

Raine Industries has extended its £117 million offer for Ruberoid until October 12 as it has not heard whether Tarmac's rival £131 million bid is to be referred to the Monopolies and Mergers Commission. Tarmac is due to post its offer document on October 5. Raine and its associates own 18.6 per cent of Ruberoid's shares with acceptances for another 10.7 per cent

COMMENT David Brewerton

Pleasurama profits or Mecca management?

The phoney war is nearly over in the Mecca battle for Pleasurama. This weekend the bid reaches its 39th day, which marks the final chance for Pleasurama to produce new information. The new information everybody is waiting for is a profit forecast for 1988, and the expectation is that Pleasurama will come up with a figure approaching £65 million before tax.

Then, Mecca has five days in which to decide whether or not to increase its bid. It will not need all that time, for it already knows that if it is to win the battle it has to offer more, and it is determined to win. The gap between the value of the offer is not large but Mecca does need to more than bridge it to bring the institutions on-side. They may have a high regard for the management team at Mecca, but they are not so keen to see the choice of stocks in the leisure sector eroded.

Mecca's dilemma about the size of the bid increase is not quite so acute as it was. For some time it appeared that, if Mecca increased the bid terms, its own share price would simply fall away and the bid value would be very little changed. Investors are already concerned about the dilution of Mecca earnings, and the more shares issued the greater the dilution. But Mecca shares have now fallen so far that an increased bid is already "in the price", which should be able to withstand a second offer. In any case, Mecca will be looking to do something more sophisticated than simply offer more of the same.

The latest document from Mecca is a ferocious affair, and raises some questions which Pleasurama will need to answer. Is it really losing market share in casinos? If so, why? Is there something wrong with the amusement machine business? And should a director's family hotel chain be doing business with the division for which that director is responsible? Unless Pleasurama does provide all the answers, it may see some defections from its so far loyal shareholders.

But at the same time, Mecca needs to watch its step too. It has made a convincing case for the "fit" between the two companies and highlighted some possible weaknesses in the Pleasurama platform.

It has, however, exposed itself to possible jibes from Pleasurama by projecting an earnings per share figure of 12.1p for its current year. Mecca shareholders leafing back through the annual report will light on a figure for 1986-87 of 13.1p for that year. And in its determination to demonstrate that a successful offer would not dilute its earnings, Mecca has shown earnings per share jumping from 12.1p to 15.4p as a result of acquiring Pleasurama, leaving itself open to the charge that Mecca needs Pleasurama's profits more than Pleasurama needs Mecca's management.

Money's warning note

The latest obsession in the gilt market, reading the tea leaves of the Bank of England's weekly return, at least gives people something to look at while they are waiting for the next set of trade figures. And the final Bank return for September, published yesterday, showed that the money supply is still an embarrassment for our chirpy Chancellor.

M0, it appears, has grown by about 1.5 per cent this month, and is between 8 and 8.2 per cent up on a year earlier. This compares with 7.8 per cent in July and the official target range, which the Treasury insists is still to be taken seriously, of 1 to 5 per cent.

The significance of M0, of course, is that it appears to track retail sales fairly closely. Other evidence, including that of the Confederation of British Industry's distributive trades survey, has pointed to a robust performance in the high streets this month.

The housing market may have started to cool off, but there is no evidence as yet that this cooling breeze is spreading to the rest of the economy. Indeed, there is less reason for the consumer to rein back in the run-up to Christmas this year — with real income growth still strong and mortgage rates high, but not necessarily punishingly so for most borrowers — than in the nervous atmosphere following the stock market crash last autumn.

The gilt market, surprisingly, took some comfort from the "flash" M0 figures, because the weekly pattern of the note circulation suggested some slowdown towards the end of the month. The run of weekly note figures was 9.1 per cent, 10 per cent, 9.4 per cent and 8.8 per cent (all 12-month increases) through the month.

But the slowdown towards the end of the month is almost certainly a mirage. The note circulation was boosted during the postal strike because cheques and cheque books were held up in the post and, perhaps, because people did not want to add to their credit card bills before paying off existing debt. The only message from the M0 figures is that the economy is still growing too fast for comfort.

Adwest in 30% rise to £13.5m

By Wolfgang Münchau

Adwest Group, the Reading engineer and property developer, reports a 30 per cent increase in pre-tax profits to £13.5 million on turnover up 10 per cent to £97.9 million for the year to June 30.

Most of the increase came from the motor engineering division, which produces power steering equipment for Jaguar cars. The division saw operating profits jump from £1.92 million to £3.59 million.

General engineering, however, showed a loss of £202,000 on a broadly static turnover of £15.9 million. The defence division, the second largest in revenue terms, showed a 30.2 per cent reduction in profits to £1.87 million.

Adwest's property activities continue to show a healthy surplus, with profit margins of 72.6 per cent and operating profits of £3.59 million.

Earnings per share rose to 29p, up 31 per cent. A final dividend of 9.72p per share was declared making a total of 11.75p, an increase of 25 per cent.

The company also announced a one-for-one scrip issue.

Adwest shares jumped 8p to 327p on the news.

In June, Mr Frank Waller, the chairman, died aged 76. His son Mr Michael Waller was appointed chief executive.

Audio Fidelity jumps 66%

Audio Fidelity, the sound equipment producer and retailer, yesterday announced a 66 per cent increase in pre-tax profits to £1.35 million for the year to end-June, on turnover up to £10.76 million from £8.44 million.

Earnings per share rose by 127 per cent to 16p per share. A final dividend of 1.25p has been declared, making a total of 1.50p, against last year's 0.5p.

Anglia in £17.3m cash call after buying rival

By Cliff Feltham

Anglia Secure Homes, builders of retirement homes, yesterday snapped up one of its smaller rivals in a deal worth £4.3 million and asked its shareholders for £17.3 million to finance its future growth.

Anglia is buying Alfred McAlpine Retirement Homes — part of the McAlpine housebuilding group — whose homes for the elderly in prime areas of the South-east cost from £75,000 to £165,000.

In its five years as part of McAlpine, the Sevenoaks, Kent, business has built 571 units and expects to sell about 100 this financial year. Profits last year were nearly £900,000, on sales of 119 homes.

Anglia, however, expects to be able to improve on McAlpine's average gross margins of about 20 per cent by using different marketing techniques. Mr Peter Edmondson, the chairman, said Anglia has already pushed up margins at Retirement Appreciation, acquired recently, from 18 per cent to more than 25 per cent.

He added: "The acquisition will provide the McAlpine management with an opportunity to expand the business as part of a group focused on the provision of retirement homes and related services, and free from the constraints of competing with other activities for working capital resources as is often the case in a major contracting group."

The acquisition would consolidate Anglia's foothold in the affluent South-east market for retirement homes. For the year as a whole, the company expects to sell 600 units and is forecasting a pre-tax profit of not less than £7.5 million, a rise of 92 per cent on last time. Anglia has only 20 unsold units on its books. Shares rose 2p to 398p.

Mr Edmonson said: "The group's trading position remains highly satisfactory. Anglia has traditionally fully sold its developments within a few months of structural completion, and contracted sales and reservations on current developments have already substantially underwritten our results for the early part of the next financial year."

Anglia is financing the acquisition through a vendor rights issue — being offered pro rata to existing shareholders at 360p a share — at the same time launching a £17.3 million cash call on the basis of two new shares for every five already held at the same price. About £5.4 million of this will be used to clear some of McAlpine's debts. British and Commonwealth Group, which holds 23.7 per cent of Anglia's existing share capital, is taking up its full rights.

Alfred McAlpine, which also sold its Samic Builders Merchants business yesterday to the RMC group for an undisclosed sum, says it intends to concentrate on expanding its regional housebuilding activities.

Havers for Outhwaite

By Rodney Hobson

Lord Havers, the former Attorney-General and Lord Chancellor, has been appointed non-executive chairman of RHM Outhwaite (Underwriting Agencies). Outhwaite is a subsidiary of the Lloyd's underwriting agency which is involved in disputes over reinsurance claims dating from 1982.

The appointment will take effect as soon as approval is given by Lloyd's. He will take over as chairman of the parent company in February. The present chairman, Mr Maurice Hussey, remains on the main board and becomes deputy chairman of the agency company. Together with Mr Stephen Mitchell, a director, he will assume overall responsibility for planning and administration in resolving problems with the 1982 account.

Lord Havers: new chairman

Mr Hussey said: "Although Dick Outhwaite's knowledge of the background will inevitably still be required in dealing with the disputes which have arisen, our object is to free him as far as possible from day-to-day involvement in order to concentrate on underwriting the current account."

Mr Outhwaite claims that he was given insufficient information to evaluate risks when he took on reinsurance from other syndicates for 1982. The Outhwaite agency claims it should not have to bear heavy losses on reinsurance that went bad. Mr Hussey announced earlier this year his intention of stepping down in February 1989 and said a successor would be announced in advance. The change is part of the restructuring of Outhwaite to separate the group's activities.

Death of a market character

The City went into mourning yesterday as word went round that Jack Durlacher, once a partner with his family jobbing firm Wedd Durlacher — now part of Barclays de Zoete Wedd — had died. Jack, who celebrated his 75th birthday just a week ago, suffered a heart attack at his Kent home on Wednesday evening. A prisoner of war during the Second World War and holder of the Military Cross, he established his reputation in the City as a member of Durlacher's brewing pitch, which he ran with Sir Nigel Mordaunt. He left the firm when he retired in 1978, and was then employed by the Stock Exchange as an honorary market official, settling disputes between jobbers and brokers, until two years ago. Since then he had worked as a consultant with PruBache, the American securities house. As the tributes poured in, Jack, an undeniably colourful character, was described variously as "a real gent" and "someone who drove through life with his foot on the accelerator." A member of the Stock Exchange since 1935, he outlived most of his contemporaries. But Paul Downes, a director of BZW Gilts and, for many years, a Wedd Durlacher partner alongside him, said: "He was full of good intentions and had more enthusiasm for life than anyone else I have ever known." Jack leaves a wife, Gay, and two sons, Nick and Bill, both of whom work for BZW.

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Learning the language

Joining an American securities house can be a bit like going back to school. At least it has been for the four-strong *retail team* — Paul Deacon, Paul Morris, Phil Dorgan and Keith Wills — which left Scrimgeour Vickers to join Goldman Sachs two months ago. The *four* are, I *hear*, obliged to study for an American exam which will allow them to be registered as "general securities representatives." "It's a legal requirement so that we can *talk to US clients*." Deacon explains. "It is a bit of a chore, but not particularly hard — and we're *all thrilled* at the prospect of learning all there is to know about the municipal bond market," he jokes. We will chart their progress with interest.

Early bid

Stockbrokers will soon be able to watch what happened on Wall Street and in Tokyo overnight as they munch their muesli. *Business Daily*, the lunchtime financial programme on Channel 4, which celebrated its first anniversary last week — and now lays claim to viewing figures of up to 350,000 — will soon launch a breakfast-time version.

HEARD THE LATEST TAKEOVER TITBIT?

Glad-handing

Lord Carrington, the former Foreign Secretary, head of Nato and a man who has sat at every important political dining table in the world, is about to experience fame of a different kind. On October 20 he will be seated in a comfortable chair at Harrods, pen in hand, and signing copies of his book *Reflect on Things Past*, to be published by Collins on October 17. Since this is not the kind of audience to which the noble lord is used, it is perhaps little wonder that he thought the whole idea "ghastly!" when he spoke to a colleague of mine yesterday. Collins has also insisted that he appear on the *Wogan* show, but, he says, "I have insisted that I am the only *Wogan* guest." In an aside, my colleague remarked: "Just be thankful, sir, that you are not required to go on to the Dame Edna Everage show." To which the noble lord replied: "Who?"

Puckle to quit

Guy Puckle, the four-partner stockbroking firm owned by its senior partner Bill Collins, is, I hear, expected to announce today that it is to cease dealing in equities at the close of business this evening. Although no one was available for comment at the firm yesterday, I understand that Collins is so disillusioned by his treatment at the hands of The Securities Association that he has decided to call it a day. Puckle, which has a reputation for being one of the more colourful member firms, was initially refused authorization by TSA, but finally won approval upon appeal. But Collins is apparently still awaiting the outcome of an appeal for his own personal authorization. A couple of years ago Collins and another partner were called to the Stock Exchange and reprimanded by its disciplinary committee over the late booking of bargains, as well as dealing for an expelled member. But a number of other charges were dropped, and the Exchange allowed the firm to stay in business.

● **The advance of new technology does not always run smooth. Hambleton District Council in North Yorkshire *last night* turned down an application by Barclays Bank to install a cash-dispensing machine in its branch in nearby Bedale. Derek Ballard, a local planning officer, said the dispenser would be "visually unacceptable" in the town, a conservation area. The bank plans to appeal.**

Carol Leonard

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An Unusual Method Of Share Selection

You and I have never met, but perhaps we share a common problem.

My name is John Wheatley. I am a successful retired businessman, having sold out to a well-known public company a few years ago.

When I retired, I had no experience of the stockmarket, but having capital I thought that playing the market would give me an interest and hopefully a much better return on my money than fixed interest investments.

How it all started

Initially, I took my advice from newspapers, stockbrokers and investment advisers. But, despite the raging bull market conditions, I found ironically that I was losing money overall on my investments. Indeed, I would have been better off leaving my money in a building society.

I was disappointed, unhappy and disillusioned.

Nevertheless, many shares were going up — in a lot of cases, dramatically — and there was no doubt that there was very big money indeed to be made on the market, if only one could select the right shares.

Applying Business Principles

Where, then, was I going wrong? I sat back to analyse the situation as I would any other business problem. I realized to my absolute horror that, *in my approach to the stock*market, I had ignored practically every single sound principle that I had learned during my *40-year business career.*

It quickly became clear to me that, to be successful, the stockmarket had to be tackled in the same way as one would approach any other business operation. One had to buy at the right price, deal in quality goods and have a ready market. Above all, the operation must be capable of rational systemisation — after all, *any successful business operation is fundamentally simple.*

Having read and studied everything I could lay my hands on about the stockmarket, I gradually formulated my business strategy. Priority *was given to simplicity of operation and solid* fundamental reasoning with the result that eventually I evolved a sound, business-like method of share selection.

Testing the System

Initially, I did not buy any of the share selections thrown up by my system. I simply recorded and monitored them. The results were astonishing. That was in a rising 'bull' market, of course, but the results following last October's crash have been every bit as impressive (see table) — especially considering the general market conditions since then.

Having conducted my 'dry run' and proved to myself the effectiveness of the system, I started to deal on the stockmarket again — but this time in a professional manner, as a businessman making his living from the stockmarket.

Simple, Logical & Easy to Follow

Like any successful business plan, my system is simple and concise — in fact, it can be fully *explained in less than four pages.* The method of selection is based on fundamental principles and only requires a few minutes a day spent *with a copy of the Financial Times to operate* it.

Incidentally, it is interesting to note there were no selections under this method in the two months prior to the Crash. My method of share selection was therefore telling us that the stockmarket was too high. Right now, though, the system is producing one or two *new selections a month.*

To sum up, this method of share selection has made large profits over the years — both before and since the Crash. Simple, completely logical and based on fundamentals, my system pinpoints which shares to buy and gives explicit instructions when to sell them.

Risk-Free Trial Offer

Because so many people are always asking me for details, I have asked Chartsearch to publish my Method of Share Selection. In the same way as no successful businessman is afraid of explaining his business, I do not expect publication of my System to affect my stockmarket profits by one iota. What it can do, though, is help you make substantial stockmarket gains and save you from some of the very expensive mistakes I made when I started.

Here is a list of all shares that qualified and have since been sold using my method of share selection from the Crash last year to July 1988:

Share Name	Qualified at p.	Method Selling Price p.
Pericom	35	41
Stead & Simpson	72	92
Dee Corporation	140	212
Britannia Arrow	89	105
Edinburgh Fund Managers	155	185
Hollas Group	41	56
Cowan de Groot	46	58
Brammer	190	212
Bridon	97	148
Dalgety	275	292
Davy Corporation	118	135
Rush & Tomkins	200	246
Harris Queensway	96	159
Howden Group	67	117
Rotork	120½	147
Bullers	36	54
Hyman	25	39
PWS Holdings	123	200
Hogg Robinson & Gardner	118	141
Midland Bank	308	382
Standard Chartered	398	497
Sedgwick	168	214
Ellis & Goldstein	45	66
FH Group	65	75
Expamet Int.	135	165
LPA Industries	45	77
Stainless Metalcraft	78	115
Newage Transmission	65	80
Stocklake	188	277
Hawtal Whiting	155	165
Barratt Development	140	194
Chrysallis	111	131
French (Thos)	56	71
Int. City Holdgs.	158	142
Ealing Electric	35	62

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STOCK MARKET

Dealers braced for imminent bid of £8-a-share for Enterprise Oil

Shares of **Enterprise Oil** soared 53p to an all-time high of 700p last night lifting its stock market value by £171 million to £2.26 billion on talk of an imminent bid of 800p a share.

London & Scottish Marine Oil had announced this month that it was putting its 25.2 per cent stake in Enterprise up for sale. The news had been preceded 24 hours earlier by an unsuccessful dawn raid on Lasmo by British Gas.

This prompted speculation that British Gas had launched its raid on Lasmo in the hope of blocking the Enterprise deal.

Dealers now claim that British Gas has decided to make a full bid for Enterprise. Enterprise used to be the oil exploration arm of British Gas before it was privatized by the Government in 1984 by way of tender at 185p a share.

There is talk that Sir Denis Rooke, British Gas chairman, would like it back. But Enterprise is not short of admirers and potential suitors are said to include Mobil and Atlantic Richfield in the US, Petrobras of Brazil, Total of France and Repsol in Spain.

A bid of 800p would give Enterprise a price tag of £2.5 billion.

Meanwhile, the wealth of bid stories continued to excite investors who responded by chasing share prices sharply higher.

The FT-SE 100 share index closed at its best levels of the day with a rise of 16.5 at 1,829.0, helped by a firm opening on Wall Street. Turnover of alpha and beta shares, as measured by the Stock Exchange's computerized trading system, reached 562.2 million shares. The narrower FT 30 share index rose 11.2 to finish at 1,477.6.

Brokers say the share price froth generated by the high level of bid talk should eventually blow itself away but point out that the undertone remains firm. They were no doubt encouraged by the three-month interbank rate which dipped below 12 per cent following this week's better than expected trade figures.

Cheered by the prospect of cheaper money, government securities finished the session sporting gains of almost £½ at the longer end.

Mr Alan Bond, the Australian brewer, has finally emerged as the mystery buyer who has been stalking shares of **Allied-Lyons**, the food and drinks group, during the past week. He made a brief return to the marketplace yesterday snapping up another line 9 million shares, or 1.25 per cent, at the 468p level, a big enough parcel to be picked up by dealers on the Stock Exchange's ticker service.

A statement from Allied last night confirmed that Mr Bond now holds a total of 81.17 million shares or 11.08 per cent of the equity.

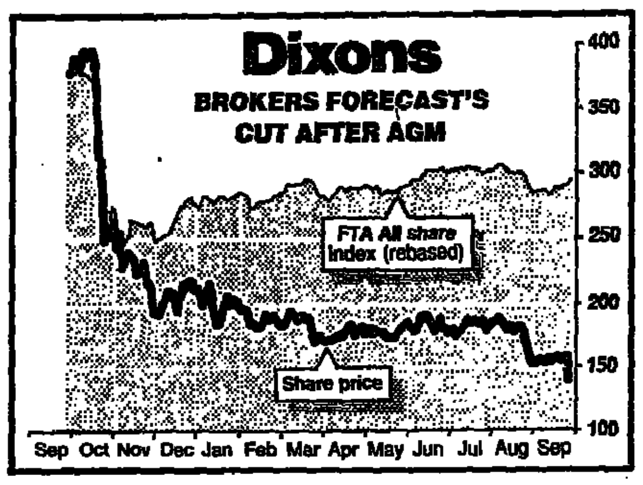
Sir Derrick Holden-Brown, chairman of Allied, said that back in April, when the Bond Corporation's stake stood at 7 per cent, he had written to Mr Bond making it clear that the board would consider any further share purchases as unfriendly. He regrets that the Bond Corporation has taken this action which must regarded as questionable.

Note the strength of *Pilgrim House*, the mechanical and electrical engineer and the result of a merger between *RHP* and Burgess. The price rose 4p to 194p yesterday — for a three-day rise of 19p. It *appears that a bid from the* acquisitive Williams Holdings is on the way.

The two sides have been having talks about forming a joint venture company, 60 per cent owned by Allied, aimed at buying certain Bond brands and marketing them throughout Europe. Analysts claim these purchases have been made in secret to put pressure on the Allied board. They say he wants a bigger say in the business but are ruling out the possibility of a full bid.

A spokesman for Bond Corporation said: "We have no comment to make at this stage." Allied's price ended the day a further 4p higher at a new high of 468p, after 470p, as a total of 22 million shares changed hands.

It also looks as if **Guinness** may have been buying back more of its own shares. A line of 300,000 went through the market at 322p as the price hardened 5p to 323p. Earlier this week the company bought another 200,000 shares in the market taking its total since the buying back operation started to more than 25 million.



Dixons, the stores group, ran into sellers and closed 5p down at 146p on a turnover of almost 3 million shares.

This followed the bearish comments of Mr Stanley Kalms, the chairman, at the annual meeting. He told shareholders that trading at Dixons and Currys continued to be difficult and the outlook depended on the level of Christmas trade.

With last year's disappointing trading period still very much in mind analysts decided to reduce their 1989 pretax profit estimates. Phillips & Drew and James Capel cut their forecasts from £120 million to £115 million, while McCaughan Dyson Capel Cure trimmed its estimate to £100 million.

Mr Zak Keshavjee of SBCI Savory Milln reduced his forecast from a "high" £130 million to £110 million.

He told *he Times*: "The short-term sales trend is not good. For the past two weeks, like-for-like sales have showed a marked decline despite the Olympic games which are usually worth between £1 million and £2 million to group profits".

Ward White, the Payless do-it-yourself, AG Stanley and Halfords group, jumped another 14.5p to 313p. Fidelity of Boston, one of the largest fund management groups in the US, continued to buy in an effort to take its stake in the company to 10 per cent. It is said to be prepared to pay 320p a share.

S&W Berisford, the commodities, property and financial services group, was a late feature touching 420p before closing 23p higher at 413p on takeover talk.

Word went round the market that Mr Garry Weston's AB Foods had sold its 15 per cent stake in Gateway (formerly Dee) and is ready to turn its attentions to S&W Berisford. Kleinwort Grieveson Securities, the broker, was reported to be a big buyer.

Revived bid hopes were also good for 6p rise to 319p in **Dalgety**, the Golden Wonder crisps to Spillers flour group. This month the company revealed an 8 per cent increase in pre-tax profits to £99.6 million and said that it was ready to hit the acquisition trail.

Shares of Local London property group jumped 25p to 550p as James Capel, the broker, acting on behalf of the *Brent Walker leisure* group, acquired a further 2 million shares at 550p a share to take Mr George Walker's holding to 24.99 per cent. A bid looks on the cards.

Grand Metropolitan improved 3p to 504p as the City awaited confirmation that it had raised £1.4 billion from the sale of its Inter-Continental hotels chain to a Japanese buyer.

GrandMet's recent claim that it intends to spend the proceeds on the expansion of its food interests attracted support for **Cadbury Schweppes**, 9p higher at 384p. Dealers reckon that GrandMet has already approached General Cinema of the US for its 18 per cent holding in Cadbury.

Other food groups to gain ground on GrandMet takeover hopes were **Ranks Hovis McDougall** which closed 5p higher at 383p and **United Biscuits** 8p up at 286p.

Goodman Fielder Wattie, the Australian group, is a known seller of its 29.9 per cent stake in RHM after having its £1.7 billion bid for the company referred to the Monopolies Commission.

Michael Clark and Geoffrey Foster

ALPHA STOCKS

	Vol '000		Vol '000		Vol '000		Vol '000
ADT	585	CU	2,420	Laporte	150	Saatchi	485
Abbey	1,055	Cons Gold	1,304	L&G	914	Sainsbury	835
Alld-Lyons	22,586	Cookson	2,371	Lloyds	3,919	Scot & N	1,282
Amstrad	2,789	Courtaulds	634	Lonrho	10,519	Sears	4,172
ASDA	547	Dalgety	1,125	Lucas	2,808	Sedgwick	503
AB Foods	832	Dixons	2,967	Magnet	2,518	Shell	1,193
Argyll	2,153	ECC	758	M&S	2,095	Siebe	82
BAA	4,058	Enterprise	1,897	Maxwell Cm	2,680	Slough	433
BET	2,028	Ferranti	554	MEPC	470	Smith & N	2,050
BTR	2,000	Fisons	2,736	Metal Box	5,756	Smith WH	138
BAT	1,049	FKI Babck	6,537	Midland	5,134	Smiths Ind	1,454
Barclays	3,659	Gateway Cp	4,200	NatWest	994	STC	1,912
Bass	228	Gen Acc	243	Next	1,506	Stan Chart	277
Beecham	1,626	GEC	3,310	Nth Food	943	Storehse	1,358
Beazer	2,378	Glaxo	2,074	P&O	1,259	Sun Allnce	309
Bersfd SW	1,328	Globe Inv	1,363	Pearl	970	T & N	738
BICC	1,309	Glynwed	248	Pearson	320	Tarmac	2,284
Blue Arrow	3,418	Granada	812	Pilkington	1,515	Tate & Lyle	295
Blue Circle	686	Grand Met	2,823	Plessey	5,309	Taylor Wood	n/a
BOC	1,094	GUS 'A'	255	Polly Peck	621	TSB	1,532
Boots	1,762	GRE	941	Prudential	2,000	Tesco	2,273
BPB	1,219	GKN	417	Racal	1,791	Thorn EMI	416
Br Aero	745	Guinness	3,921	Rk Hovis	1,272	Trafalgar	1,927
Br Airways	5,013	Hamm 'A'	628	Rank	212	THF	9,801
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Br Petrol	6,095	Hillsdown	969	Reuters	2,117	United Bis	1,974
Br Telecm	3,164	IMI	87	RMC Gp	1,880	Utd News	2,454
Bunzl	585	ICI	910	RTZ	2,294	Wellcome	777
Burmah	1,363	Inchcape	2,161	R-Royce	1,734	Whitbrd	1,036
Burton	418	Jaguar	4,004	Rothmn 'B'	314	Williams	216
C&W	8,450	Lasmo	1,997	Rowntree	1	Wilis Fab	1,172
Cadbury	2,976	Ladbroke	2,352	Royal Bank	516	Wimpey G	1,227
Coats	747	Land Sec	1,222	Royal Ins	687	Woolworth	531

TOKYO

Investors cautious on Soviet meeting

(Reuter) — Share prices closed lower yesterday, coming to a standstill in the afternoon, on rumours surrounding the news that Mr Mikhail Gorbachov, the Soviet leader, had called an unexpected meeting of the policy-making Central Committee for today, brokers said.

"The market is not going anywhere because no one can confirm or deny the rumours. People are saying let's sit on the sidelines a bit, see what is behind the rumours, and be back in the market tomorrow," said Mr Louis Tseng, vice-president of international trade at Goldman Sachs (Japan) Corp.

The Nikkei index fell 51.88 points, or 0.19 per cent, to close at27,700.13. It rose 252.45 points on Wednesday.

Rising shares slightly outpaced declining issues by six to five in moderate turnover of one billion shares against 1.8 billion.

Some observers took Mr Gorbachov's move as an indication of a purge or serious illness in the Soviet leadership, possibly of Mr Gorbachov himself.

The Nikkei index fell to a low 27,638.74 at the opening of afternoon trade, mainly on these rumours.

A change or death in the Soviet leadership could signal an end to the era of detente and hurt East/West trade, brokers said.

The dollar was also aided by similar sentiments.

The biggest declines were witnessed in securities house, railway and bus, warehouse, electrical, gas, airline, pulp and paper, steel, property and electricity issues.

Advances were led by bank, communication, oil, pharmaceutical, food, rolling stock, trading house, fishery, cars and some manufacturing issues.

● **Hong Kong (Reuter)** — The Hang Seng index lost points 10.36 to finish at 2,439.39 in dull trading, with investors remaining on the sidelines in the absence of incentives.

● Sydney (Reuter) — The All-Ordinaries index fell 3.6 points to close at 1,542.6 as stocks fell across the board in lacklustre trade. The gold index slipped 23.4 points to finish at 1,602.0.

NEW YORK

Blue chips advance in subdued early trading

(Reuter) — Wall Street blue chips added to opening gains with the general market narrowly higher in early trading yesterday.

Mr Newton Zinder, analyst at Shearson Lehman Hutton, said the gain was a continuation from Wednesday, based in part on a firming in US bonds, which opened lower.

The Dow Jones industrial average gained 8.71 points to 2,094.24 at one stage when the transport indicator was up a mere 0.45 to 894.24 and the utilities average 0.35 lower to 180.42.

Gaining issues led declining shares by about three to two. Trading was subdued.

Some technology issues were among the early gainers, with Control Data up ⅝ at 23 and Digital Equipment ahead ½ at 95⅞. However, IBM was unchanged at 113⅞.

● **Frankfurt** — The Commerzbank index, calculated at midsession, gained 10 points to 1,564.2 as West German shares closed higher across the board for the first time in a week on some bargain hunting, dealers said. The 30-share DAX real-time index finished 9.55 points higher at 1248.71.

Foreign investors remained largely on the sidelines, however.

WALL STREET

	Sep 28	Sep 27		Sep 28	Sep 27		Sep 28	Sep 27
AMR Cp	45⅝	46	Fedders	9⅞	9⅞	Pennzoil	73⅛	73⅝
ASA	37¾	37⅝	Fst Chicago	33⅝	33⅝	Pepsico	38⅜	37⅞
Aetna Life	50⅞	51	Fst Int Bncp	49⅜	49⅝	Pfizer	54⅛	53⅞
Allied Signal	33⅞	33⅜	Fst Penn C	12⅛	12	Phelps Dod	40⅛	40⅜
Allis Chim	9/16	9/16	FT Wachva	39⅝	40	Philip Mor	96⅞	96⅝
Alcoa	51⅛	51½	Ford Motor	50⅜	50⅝	Philip Ptrl	19⅞	18½
Amax Inc	20⅛	19⅝	GAF Cp	48⅛	49⅛	Pillsbury	37½	37⅛
AMR Hess	27⅞	26⅞	GTE Cp	42⅛	42⅞	Polaroid	40⅛	38⅝
Am Brands	51⅛	50⅝	Gen Cp	19½	19⅛	Primerica	28⅝	28⅛
Am Cynmd	47½	47	Gn Dynam	50⅛	50⅛	Proct Gble	78	78⅝
Am Ele Pwr	27½	27⅝	Gen Electric	43⅛	43	Pub S E G	23⅛	23⅜
Amexs	27⅞	28⅛	Gen Inst	25⅛	25⅛	R Nabisco	53⅞	53⅞
Am Family	13	13	Gen Mills	50⅛	50⅛	Raytheon	69⅝	69⅝
Am Home	78⅝	78⅛	Gen Motors	73⅛	73½	Rynlds Metl	50⅞	50
Am Int Grp	65⅝	65⅛	Gen Pub Ut	35	34⅝	Rockwell Int	21⅞	21⅛
Am Telph	25⅞	26	Genesco	5⅜	5½	Royal Dutch	105⅛	104⅜
Amoco Cp	73⅞	73⅛	Georgia Pac	35½	36⅛	SFE Sopac	19⅞	19⅜
Anheusr B	32⅛	31⅞	Gillette	33	32⅞	Sara Lee	42⅜	41⅝
Arch Dan	19⅛	19¼	Goodrich	54⅝	54½	Schlumb	33⅞	33⅜
Armco Steel	10	9¾	Goodyear	57	56⅛	Scott Paper	36⅛	36⅛
Asarco Inc	23⅝	23⅞	Gould Inc	22⅜	22⅛	Seagram	54⅜	54⅜
Ashland Oil	33⅜	33⅛	Grace Co	25	25	Sears Roeb	37⅛	37⅜
Atl Richfld	77¼	76½	Grt Atl Pac	44½	44	Sec Pac	38⅝	39⅜
Avon Prod	24⅜	24¼	Greyhnd	33⅞	33⅞	Shell Trans	67⅛	67⅞
Bk Boston	26⅞	25⅝	Gruman	21⅝	21⅜	Smith Beck	44½	46
Bank NY	35⅝	35⅛	Gulf Westn	37⅞	37⅜	Sony Cp	49⅞	49⅝
Bankamer	16¼	16	Heinz	45	45⅝	SW Bell	39⅜	39⅞
Bkrs Tst NY	39½	39⅜	Hercules	46	45⅛	Squibb	65⅞	65⅛
Baxter	17⅞	17⅞	Hewlett Pk	49	49⅞	Sun Comp	57⅛	57⅛
Beth Steel	20⅝	20⅞	Honeywell	63⅛	63⅜	TDK	n.a	n.a
Boeing	62⅜	61⅞	IC Ind	36⅝	35⅝	TRW Inc	44⅛	44⅞
Boise Casc	43⅛	42¼	ITT Cp	49⅜	48⅞	Teledyne	328⅛	327⅞
Borden	53⅞	53⅛	INCO	27½	27⅝	Tenneco	48⅝	47½
Bristl Meyr	43⅞	43⅝	Ing Rand Wi	35⅛	35½	Texaco	45⅞	45⅝
BP	49⅜	50⅛	Inland Steel	36⅞	36⅝	Tex Eastn	26	25⅝
Brunswick	19⅛	19⅞	IBM	113½	113⅞	Texas Inst	41⅜	41⅜
Burl Nth	69⅞	69⅛	Int Paper	44⅝	45⅛	Tex Util	27½	27⅝
CBS	170⅞	168⅞	Irving Bk	66⅝	67	Textron	25⅞	25⅝
CMS Engy	22⅝	22⅝	Jhns & Jhns	85⅝	84⅞	Travelers	34⅛	34⅜
CPC Int	50⅛	50⅜	K Mart	37⅜	37⅜	UAL Cp	92⅞	92⅝
CSX Cp	30⅜	29⅞	Kaisertech	18⅝	18⅜	USG Cp	7⅛	7⅜
Camp Soup	29⅜	29⅛	Kerr McGee	37⅞	37⅛	USX Cp	29⅛	27⅜
Can Pacific	18	17⅜	Kimbrly Clrk	56⅝	56⅞	Unilever Plc	31⅛	31
Caterpillar	56⅝	56⅞	Kraft	58⅜	58⅝	Un Carbide	23⅛	23⅜
Centrl SW	30⅝	30⅝	Kroger	55⅝	55⅞	Un Pac Cp	57½	57⅞
Champion	32⅝	33⅜	LTV Cp	2½	2½	Unisys Cp	32	32
Chase Man	30⅜	30⅞	Litton	72⅝	72¼	Unit Brand	17¼	17⅞
Chem Bank	31⅞	31⅞	Lockheed	40⅜	40⅞	Us West	57½	57⅞
Chevron	43⅜	43	Lone Star	31⅜	31⅞	Utd Tech	39⅝	39⅝
Chrysler	23⅜	23	Man H'nver	28⅜	28½	Unocal	36⅛	35½
Citicorp	26	26	Manville	1⅞	2	Warn Lamb	74⅞	72⅝
Clark Eq	28⅜	28	Mapco	53⅝	53⅜	Wells Far	68	67⅞
Coca Cola	43⅛	43	Marriott	30⅝	30⅝	Westg El	52⅛	52⅜
Colgate	44⅜	44⅞	Mt Marieta	41⅝	41½	Weyershr	23⅛	24
Columb Gas	34⅝	33⅞	Masco Cp	25⅝	25⅛	Whirlpool	25⅛	25⅜
Cmb'tn Eng	32	32⅛	Mcdonalds	47	46⅞	Woolworth	54⅛	53⅝
Cmwlth Edi	30⅜	30⅛	McDonnell	67¾	67	Xerox Cp	56⅞	57
Cons Edis	43⅛	43⅛	Mead Cp	43½	43⅞	Zenith	20⅛	20⅞
Consol Ng	38⅞	38⅞	Merck	57⅝	57			
Cont Data	22⅝	21⅝	Mnsta Mng	64	63⅜	**CANADIAN PRICES**		
Corning Gl	59⅞	59	Mobil	42⅝	42½			
Crane	31⅞	30½	Monsanto	77½	77	Agnico Eag	13⅛	12⅞
Dana Cp	35⅞	49	Montedison	13⅜	n.a	Alcan Alum	35⅞	35⅜
Data Genl	18⅛	19	Morgan Jp	37½	38	Algoma Stl	25.50	25.50
Deere Co	44⅞	44⅞	Motorola	42⅝	43⅛	Can Pacific	22	21⅞
Delta Airl	48⅞	48⅞	NCR	58⅛	58⅞	Cominco	18⅛	18⅜
Detroit Edi	14⅝	15	NL Indstrs	6	6⅛	Con Bathrst	14⅛	14⅜
Digital Eq	95⅝	95⅞	Nat Md Ent	21⅛	21¼	Hawk S Can	21⅜	21⅜
Disney	63⅜	63⅞	Nat Semi	8⅜	8⅛	Hud Bay M	18⅜	18⅜
Dow Chem	86⅝	85⅛	Norfolk Sth	29	28⅝	Imasco	25⅞	25⅜
Dressr Ind	28⅜	28⅞	NW Bancrp	54	33⅞	Imperial Oil	51	51⅛
Dupont	80⅜	80	Occid Petl	25⅞	25½	Inco	33½	33⅜
Duke Pwr	44⅜	44⅜	Ogden Cp	29	28⅛	Royl Trstco	15⅛	16
East Kodak	44⅜	44⅝	Olin Cp	45	45½	Seagram	66⅜	66⅝
Eaton Cp	52⅝	52⅜	PPG Ind	42⅜	42⅜	Shelco 'A'	41⅜	22⅜
Emerson El	29⅝	29½	Pac Enterp	45⅜	45⅝	Thmsn N 'A'	28⅛	28⅜
Emery Air	5⅜	5⅞	Pac Gas El	16⅛	16⅜	Varity Cp	3.25	3.40
Exxon	44⅞	44⅜	Pan Am	2⅝	2⅝	WCT	16⅛	16⅝
Farah Inc	11	10½	Penney JC	50	49⅝	Weston	33½	33⅝

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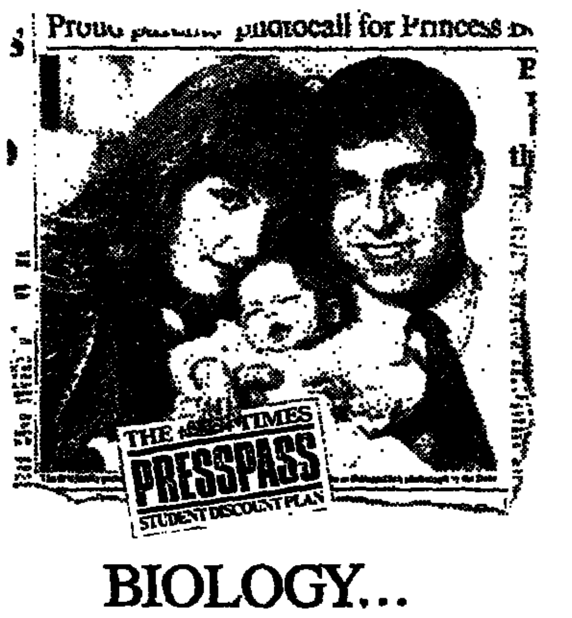
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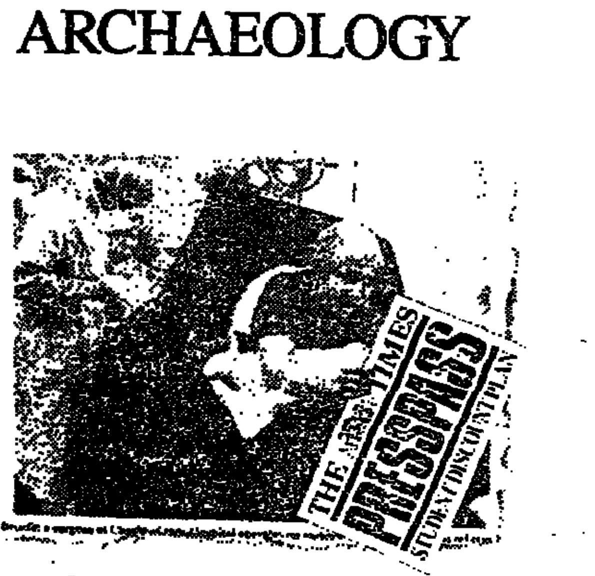
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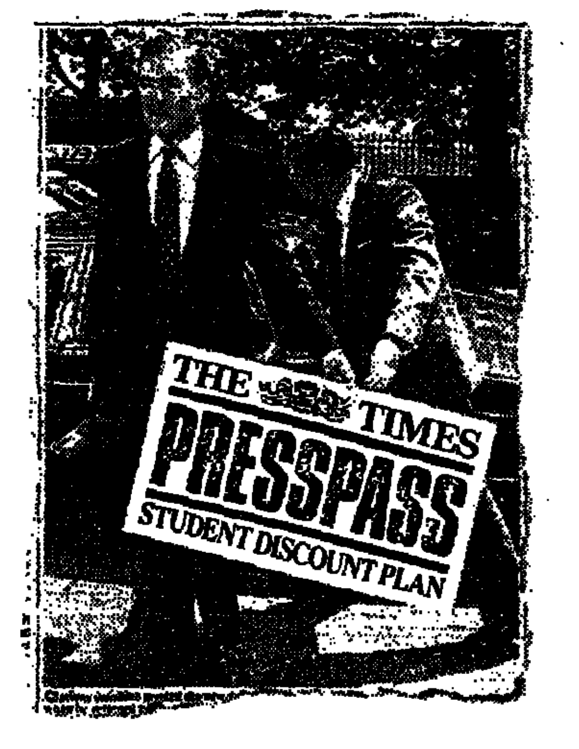
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Harvey & Thompson rises 50%

Pawnbroking continued its re-emerged popularity, as Harvey & Thompson *unveiled* profits up last year by almost half.

Pre-tax profits rose from £1.3 million to £1.8 million while operating income jumped from £4.5 million to £6.3 million in the 53 weeks to July 2.

Four new shops were opened during the year in Cardiff, Newcastleand London.

The dividend was up 41 per cent, in line with the profits, to 9p, making a total of 12p.

AMC interim soars to £4.5m

Amalgamated Metal Corporation, the metals and chemicals trading group which five years ago was forced to make a £27 million provision following the collapse of the International Tin Council, reports more than doubled profits in the first half of 1988.

Pre-tax profits rose from £2 million to £4.58 million and a 1p interim dividend has been declared.

US adviser

Davis Polk and Wardwell has been appointed by the Department of Energy as its US legal adviser for the flotation of the electricity distribution companies under the privatization programme.

IoD chief warns employers over collective bargaining

By Roland Rudd, Employment Affairs Reporter

'Trade unions will have to radically rethink their role': Sir John Hoskyns, the IoD chief

Employers are dangerously complacent about the problems of collective bargaining, according to Sir John Hoskyns, director general of the Institute of Directors.

The new co-operative realism of unions such as the electricians and engineers had lulled employers into believing that no-strike and single-union deals are the way forward, Sir John told the Industrial Participation Association at Nottingham University.

But the new unionism was not enough, he added, because it still took collective bargaining as the model for pay determinations, and excused management from its responsibility for developing people as individuals.

Mr Eric Hammond, the general secretary of the Electrical, Electronic, Telecommunication and Plumbing Union, had been praised by employers as representing the new trade unionism, but Sir John said that, "Hammondism is not enough," and predicted that trade unions would struggle for survival in the 21st century unless they rethought their role and purpose more radically.

He added that the electricians' brand of new realism was only a transitional stage on the way to the sort of industrial participation needed for the next century.

"It would not be enough to settle for the German model of orderly collectivism and corporatism — which even the Germans are now finding unsatisfactory," he said.

The way forward in industrial relations was for employees to be treated as individuals, with individual contracts and regular appraisals of performance and pay for each individual person by his or her immediate employer.

"If collective bargaining fades — as it is already starting to do — then trade unions will have to rethink their role and purpose even more radically than the electricians and the Amalgamated Engineering Union have done." They should remember, Sir John said, that "no voluntary human organization has an automatic right to eternal existance."

Each year many companies failed because the world did not need them any more.

NatWest forecasts fall in base rates to 11½%

(Reuter) — Interest rates of 12 per cent are sufficiently high to curb excessive demand in the economy, making a further increase unnecessary, Mr David Kern, chief economist at National Westminster Bank, said yesterday.

"This is not an absolute assurance that a further rise will not occur. But the balance of possibility is moving against it," he said at a briefing on the October issue of the bank's *Economic and Financial Outlook*.

The *Outlook* says erosion of market confidence in reaction to outdated economic statistics might force higher rates. But even if it occurred this would only be temporary.

Base rates will fall to 11½ per cent by the end of this year and average just under 10 per cent next, he said.

Mr Nigel Lawson, the Chancellor, has tightened monetary policy sharply since the beginning of June, pushing up interest rates from 7½ to 12 per cent as rising personal consumption heightened inflationary pressures and undermined the current account by dragging in imports.

Partly because of mortgage rate rises in the wake of higher interest rates, the retail price index, Britain's chief measure of inflation, surged last month, with growth at an annualized 5.7 per cent after 4.8 in July.

Mr Kern said inflation would peak at 6.8 per cent early in 1989, averaging 4.8 per cent for 1988 and 5.5 per cent in 1989.

"The UK economy clearly has experienced overheating but is nevertheless showing signs of slowing down," he said. Building society figures last week showed a definite slowdown in the pace of new mortgage commitments.

However, he added that trends in earnings growth in Britain would be critically important. "In many ways that is the main test of how the UK economy will develop."

Mr Kern forecasts a current account deficit of £14 billion in 1988, declining to £10 billion in 1989.

Financial markets responded positively to news that the August current account deficit narrowed to £1.31 billion after a huge £2.15 billion shortfall in July.

Economists, however, are still concerned about the underlying trend and even Mr Lawson has cautioned that the balance of payments indicator may be the last to react to the monetary tightening.

Sekonda helps Time rise to £7.66m

By Wolfgang Münchau

Time Products, the Sekonda and Citizen watch group, lifted pre-tax profits by 53.8 per cent to £7.66 million in the six months to July 31. Turnover was up 22.7 per cent to £29.74 million.

Much of the increase comes from an improved performance by Sekonda, which continued to gain market share. The other main area of growth has been the luxury watch market through its recently acquired Piaget and Baume & Mercier brands.

Improved trading conditions have expanded margins in Hong Kong, where turnover increased by 8.4 per cent to £11.28 million. Profits rose by 40 per cent to £2.8 million.

Net liquid assets for the whole group have risen to £22.7 million, up from £16.6 million. The company also announced plans for a revaluation of its properties in the final-year accounts.

Earnings per share increased to 10.72p from 7.86p. The interim dividend was raised to 2.5p, from a previous 1.75p. The shares rose 11p to 231p following the news.

Epicure interim £1.2m

Epicure Holdings, the Swedish-controlled construction and engineering group, lifted pre-tax profits by 41.6 per cent to £1.2 million on turnover down 5.9 per cent to £17.51 million for the six months to June 30. Average earnings per share rose to 1.74p from 1.60p. The interim dividend was raised to 0.28p (0.25p).

The company said the results reflected both the successful restructuring of the group and increased demand for its products.

Current sales were ahead of those for this time last year. The company also reiterated its intention to make further acquisitions in Britain and the Continent and added that negotiations were at an advanced stage for the acquisition of a leading saw blade manufacturer in Finland.

TRADITIONAL OPTIONS

First Dealings	Last Dealings	Last Declaration	For Settlement
September 26	October 7	December 22	January 9

Call options were taken out on: 29/9/88 Crown Communications, M L Holdings, Trusthouse Forte Ord, Trusthouse Forte Wts, Poseidon, Cadbury, Brent Walker, Summer Intnl, Lonrho, National Communications, Parkfield, Wellcome, Ward White, Morgan Grenfell, Northwest Oil, Cluff Oil, LEP Group, Intec, G M Firth, Saga, Kelt Energy, Metal Box, M Illingworth, C Church, United Biscuits, Tesco, Dixons, Telemetrix.

LONDON TRADED OPTIONS

		Calls			Puts		
	Series	Oct	Jan	Apr	Oct	Jan	Apr
Alld Lyon (*469)	390	85	93	105	2	8	11
	420	58	70	83	6	14	18
	460	30	45	57	17	30	35
Bass (*791)	700	102	115	122	2	7	10
	750	55	70	82	5	18	22
	800	18	37	55	20	40	45
Brit Air (*165)	140	28	30	34	1	2½	5
	160	10½	16	18	4	9	12
	180	3	6	–	19	21	–
Brit Com (*219)	220	6	15	20	8	14	16
	240	3	8	12	27	30	32
	260	2	5	8	45	47	47
Brit Gas (*171)	160	14	20	23	1½	4	6
	180	2	6½	8½	11	12	13½
	200	½	2	3¼	30	30	30
BP (*244)	220	26	34½	36½	1	3	5½
	240	10	19	21½	5	8	14
	260	2	8½	11½	19	19	25½
Cons Gold (*1320)	950	390	415	440	3	6	12
	1000	330	365	390	4	10	20
	1100	240	260	310	6	23	35
Courtauld (*283)	300	6	16	26	18½	27	30
	330	1½	9	14	48	49	50
	360	½	3½	7½	78	79	80
Com Union (*341)	330	20	38	43	5	12	22
	360	7	20	25	22	28	40
	390	3	10	17	50	50	62
C & W (*394)	330	67	77	90	2	4	9
	360	42	53	65	4	10	15
	390	17	30	47	12	20	25
GEC (*159)	140	21	26	29	1	3	5
	160	5	10½	14	5	10	12
	180	1¼	3½	7	22	24	27
GKN (*326)	300	32	42	49	1½	6	11
	330	10	23	30	10	17	24
	360	2	11	17	35	35	43
Grand Met (*503)	420	90	–	–	1	–	–
	460	52	68	75	4	9	13
	500	19	40	48	14	21	26
	550	4½	18	24	50	52	55
ICI (*1033)	900	140	165	–	1	5	–
	950	92	122	132	3	13	28
	1000	48	85	95	10	27	45
	1100	6	29	43	75	75	102
Jaguar (*255)	240	19	32	37	4	11	15
	260	8	20	26	13	18	25
	280	3½	13	15	30	33	40
	300	2½	7	11	48	50	58
Land Sec (*566)	500	70	80	92	1½	6½	12
	550	25	42	55	8	18	23
	600	4	15	28	38	45	47
M & S (*164)	140	26	30	33	1	3	4
	160	7½	14	20	3	9	11
	180	1	5½	10	17	22	23
R-Royce (*133)	120	13½	18½	24	1½	4½	7
	130	5	12	16	3½	8	11½
	140	2	7	9½	11	14½	16
STC (*281)	240	44	52	57	1	3	6
	260	27	36	43	3	8	10
	280	11	23	30	8	14	20
Sainsbury (*196)	200	5	12	17	9	12	17
	220	1	4	8	27	28	28
	240	1	1½	–	47	48	–
	260	½	1	–	67	68	–
Shell (*964)	950	35	72	90	18	28	48
	1000	12	47	60	45	53	75
	1100	2	12	23	145	145	157
Storehse (*196)	180	15	23	29	8	13	16
	200	6	14	19	20	25	26
	220	2½	7	13	36	38	40
Trafalgar (*316)	280	40	44	46	2	6	9
	300	22	28	32	4	11	14
	330	4	12	17	18	28	32
TSB (*103)	90	15	18	19	1	2	3
	100	5½	9	10½	2½	3½	5
	110	1	4	5½	8	9	10
Utd Bisc (*285)	260	30	35	43	2	7	9
	280	12	24	31	6	14	17
Ultramar (*255)	216	47	56	65	4	9	17
	235	32	45	54	10	17	24
	255	21	34	43	17	27	35
Woolworth (*251)	260	6	16	23	15	20	21
	280	1½	8	17	33	35	37
	300	1	5½	11	53	53	53
	Series	Dec	Mar	Jun	Dec	Mar	Jun
Amstrad (*210)	200	22	32	38	11	14	16
	220	14	23	27	20	23	26
	240	7	12	–	33	34	–
Barclays (*420)	360	72	–	–	3	–	–
	395	42	–	–	8	–	–
	429	16	–	–	20	–	–
Beecham (*466)	420	55	68	78	5	9	14
	460	25	42	53	17½	23	28
	500	8½	22	34	43	47	50
Boots (*212)	200	22	30	39	8	11	13
	220	10	18	27	18	20	23
	240	5	10	–	32	34	–
BTR (*293)	260	43	52	–	2	4	–
	280	26	37	38	6	9	10½
	300	13	23	26	14	17	19
Blue Circ (*438)	390	62	74	–	4	9	–
	420	36	52	56	11	18	22
	460	15	32	36	30	34	44
	500	6	18	–	64	64	–
Dixons (*146)	160	7	13	19	19	22	23
	180	3	6	–	36	37	–
	200	1½	3	–	56	57	–

		Calls			Puts		
	Series	Dec	Mar	Jun	Dec	Mar	Jun
Glaxo (*1055)	900	155	180	–	7	15	–
	950	110	143	–	16	27	–
	1000	70	110	–	30	45	–
–	1100	26	57	–	87	97	–
Hanson (*146)	130	19½	21	–	1¼	2½	–
	140	11	13½	16	4½	5¾	6½
	160	2¼	5	6½	16	17	18
Hawker (*520)	460	75	90	–	5	7	–
	500	45	60	77	13	22	28
	550	15	32	43	41	48	55
Hillsdown (*262)	260	17	26	34	9	12	18
	280	7	17	23	21	23	28
	300	3	7	–	41	41	–
Lonhro (*345)	223	131	–	–	1	–	–
	240	114	121	–	2	5	–
	260	97	104	–	4	7	–
Midland (*433)	390	57	67	–	3	8	–
	420	35	45	50	11	18	20
	460	12	20	28	33	40	42
Sears (*133)	120	20½	25½	30	5½	8	11
	130	14	20½	25	9½	12½	15
	140	10	15½	19	16	18	21
Tesco (*132)	140	6	12	13	13	14	16
	160	2	5½	–	30	30	–
	180	1	2	–	50	49	–
Thorn EMI (*643)	600	64	77	92	13	22	27
	650	30	50	57	32	47	47
	700	17	28	–	75	80	–
THF (*271)	220	58	63	–	3	5	–
	240	42	48	53	6	12	17
	260	27	35	42	13	22	25
Unilever (*458)	420	52	64	73	4½	8	13
	460	22	38	50	17	23	27
	500	7½	19	32	45	45	50
Wellcome (*507)	460	60	78	90	8	13	17
	500	34	52	66	20	28	33
	550	14	28	42	56	60	60
	Series	Nov	Jan	–	Nov	Jan	–
RHM (*381)	360	40	50	–	13	18	–
	390	25	33	–	27	32	–
	420	15	23	–	45	52	–
	Series	Nov	Feb	May	Nov	Feb	May
BAA (*265)	265	11	–	–	10	–	–
	280	5	12	19	18	22	23
	300	2	5½	13	37	38	40
Brit Aero (*473)	420	64	80	87	3½	7	15
	460	31	49	58	13	20	30
	500	12	27	35	34	40	50
	550	2½	12	18	80	80	85
BAT Ind (*438)	390	58	71	78	2	6	10
	420	33	49	55	8	14	19
	460	11	24	33	28	32	40
Brit Tele (*243)	220	30	34	37	2	4	7
	240	13	18	24	7	10	13
	260	3½	8	15	19	22	25
Cadbury (*386)	330	65	80	87	4	10	14
	360	43	60	68	11	18	25
	390	26	42	50	26	32	38
	420	14	31	37	45	50	55
Guinness (*321)	280	48	56	–	2	3	–
	300	30	40	46	4	7	10
	330	9	22	28	15	18	24
	360	1	9	13	42	42	44
Ladbroke (*451)	390	67	77	–	1½	6	–
	420	40	52	60	7	13	16
	460	15	27	35	27	32	35
LASMO (*543)	500	64	93	107	25	40	48
	550	38	64	78	43	60	67
	600	20	41	53	75	85	85
Pilkington (*211)	180	35	38	44	2	3	5
	200	18	22	29	5	8	10
	220	6	12	17	14	18	20
	240	2	6	9	31	32	34
Plessey (*160)	140	24	27	32	1½	4	6
	160	9	14	20	7	11	15
	180	3½	7	11	22	23	24
P & O (*580)	500	82	90	100	4	7	11
	550	33	52	63	11	19	29
	600	9	27	33	43	45	55
Prudential (*156)	160	6	11	14	8	10	14
	170	2	–	–	16	–	–
	180	1	4	6	26	28	28
Racal (*294)	280	27	42	50	8	15	18
	300	17	30	37	20	26	29
	330	7	20	26	39	45	48
RTZ (*444)	390	64	77	85	3	10	12
	420	40	57	65	11	18	25
	460	16	35	43	28	35	40
Vaal Reefs (*562)	60	7	10	13	4	7	11
	70	2½	5	8½	10	13	18
	80	1	3	4½	20	22	26
Tr 12% 1995 (*107)	106	2 3/16	2⅞	–	5/16	8/16	–
	108	⅞	1 7/16	–	15/16	1 7/32	–
	110	¼	13/32	–	2 5/16	2 5/16	–
	112	1/32	5/32	–	4 3/16	4 3/16	–

FT-SE INDEX (*1825)

Series	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
1700	127	138	140	148	½	7	13	20
1750	77	90	98	107	½	14	24	30
1800	25	50	62	78	1½	26	37	47
1850	1½	23	38	50	28	52	62	72
1900	½	8	17	28	76	85	93	103
1950	½	3	7	—	126	130	137	—
2000	½	1	3	—	176	180	185	—

September 29, 1988 Total: 37830 Calls 30013 Puts 7817 FT-SE: Calls 4098 Puts 1640

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American Gth	154.4	164.2	-1.7	0.58
Asian Pacific	70.46	75.36	-0.28	1.43
Assets & Earns	140.1	149.0	+5.0	1.22
Capital Res	81.06	81.37	+0.50	3.96
Comm Energy	88.16	94.32e	-0.48	0.00
Euro Capital	72.68	77.21	-0.65	0.97
General	160.0	170.2●	+2.0	2.84
Japan	88.17	94.30e	+0.11	0.00
UK Gth Inc	123.3	131.1e	+0.4	1.75
Do Acc	181.7	193.2e	+0.4	1.19
US Emerg Co	43.76	46.61c	-0.63	0.00
Income Gth	263.3	280.0	+4.4	3.39
Master Acc	71.88	78.88	-0.02	2.12
American Inc	44.63	47.47●	-0.35	5.77
Ethical Tst	43.37	46.13	+0.45	2.71
ABTRUST MANAGEMENT LTD 10, Queens Terrace, Aberdeen AB9 1QJ Tel: 0224 633070 Salisbury House 30, Finsbury Circus, London EC2M 7QQ Tel: 01-374 6991, dealing (Freephone) 0800 833580				
American	41.51	44.58	-0.98	2.02
Australian	22.88	24.43e	-0.12	1.41
Euro Tst	44.97	47.87	..	0.00
Extra Inc	37.61	39.92●	+0.28	5.20
Fund Invest	97.34	103.4c	..	1.00
Do Acc	147.5	156.7c	..	1.00
Gt/Fxd Interest	22.17	23.59●	+0.04	10.12
Global Income	35.42	37.88c	-0.01	5.13
Income Growth	65.48	69.66	+0.96	4.30
Japan Gen	161.9	172.2	+1.0	0.01
N Amer Inc	26.83	28.15c	-0.16	3.22
Special Sits	63.17	67.21	+0.98	1.30
UK Growth	31.43	33.30e	+0.23	2.77
World Gth	39.25	41.66	+0.15	1.15
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Euro Gth Acc	111.0	118.9●	-0.2	1.02

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Income	42.64	45.36s	+0.22	4.59
Far East	28.13	29.93s	-0.17	0.21
Nth American	27.16	28.89s	-0.27	0.72
Global	43.20	45.96●	-0.39	0.75
European	41.20	43.83●	-0.15	1.22
Japan	84.63	90.03c	+0.39	0.01
Strategic Opp	48.78	51.89	+0.10	1.45
Do Acc	46.46	49.23	..	3.18
Intl Currency	45.63	47.99c	-0.13	6.00
CAPEL (JAMES) MANAGEMENT PO Box 552 7 Devonshire Square, London EC2M 4HU Tel: 01-626 6683 01-929 6363				
Capital	395.9	422.5c	+2.9	3.21
European S S	49.75	53.09	-0.44	3.06
Far East S S	51.16	54.58	-0.20	0.86
Gold Gen S S	52.22	55.73	-0.59	0.92
Income	348.5	371.9c	+7.0	5.06
Intl Sp Sits	49.25	52.56	-0.44	1.95
Nth Amer	244.3	260.7	-3.3	2.19
CENTRAL BOARD OF FINANCE OF CHURCH OF ENGLAND 2, Fore Street, London EC2Y 5AQ Tel: 01-588 1815				
Investment	443.45	●	..	5.00
Fixed Int	140.3		..	10.19
Deposit	100.0		..	10.00
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Income	417.72	●	..	5.29
Acc	£13.2958		..	..
Deposit	100.0		..	10.80
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Amer Gth	19.75	21.01	-0.19	0.49

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Do Inc	245.1	260.8	+5.2	4.71
Gilts & Fxd Acc	112.8	118.2●	+0.9	8.92
Do Inc	80.86	84.86●	+0.69	8.92
N Amer Acc	114.3	121.5	-1.4	0.14
Far East Acc	208.6	220.0	-0.1	0.06
Euro Tst Acc	134.1	142.7●	-3.2	0.18
Gen Tst	253.5	269.7●	+3.4	3.92
Brit Excell	39.54	42.07	+0.85	3.14
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Do Acc	48.37	52.53●	+1.42	6.36
FOREIGN & COLONIAL 1, Laurence Pountney Hill, London EC4R 0BA Tel: 01-623 4680				
US Smlr Co	66.13	70.73c	-1.14	0.69
UK Inc Fd	88.63	94.89●	+1.05	4.61
Far East Fd	85.44	91.38●	+0.12	0.09
Overseas Inc	61.82	66.22	-0.60	4.31
Fxd Interest	53.47	56.68	+0.36	9.93
Natural Res Fd	55.46	59.32	-0.37	2.05
European Inc	62.37	66.67	-0.72	2.18
Financials Fd	43.40	46.55●	+0.15	2.46
Intl Tech Fd	98.9	103.7●	+0.7	0.70
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Do Inc	63.62	67.89e	+0.21	1.20
Hi Yield Acc	29.38	31.28c	+0.05	4.80
Do Inc	27.35	29.10c	+0.04	4.80
Inc Gth Acc	56.15	59.73	+0.42	3.50
Do Inc	48.11	51.18	+0.36	3.50
Smr Co Acc	67.10	71.39	+0.23	0.70
Do Inc	65.53	69.71	+0.23	0.70
Amer Gth Acc	23.61	25.12	-0.19	1.20
Do Inc	23.61	25.12	+0.09	1.20
Euro Gth Acc	16.53	17.59●	-0.05	2.00
Do Inc	16.35	17.39●	-0.08	2.00
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American	105.6	111.9	-0.9	0.57

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
International Tsts				
Commod Shrs	58.22	62.28	..	1.38
Frontier Mkts	25.27	26.85	..	1.00
Global	155.2	165.8	..	0.75
Do Dist	147.2	157.0	..	0.75
Glob Inc/Gth	71.03	75.83c	..	3.08
Gold Share	13.96	14.97	..	2.13
Intl Sel Opps	107.1	114.6	..	0.98
Oil & Energy	46.66	49.93	..	2.06
W'wide Recov	89.22	94.35	..	0.74
Overseas Tsts				
American	67.78	72.24	..	1.24
Amer Sel Opp	27.81	29.73●	..	0.33
Australian	14.42	15.38	..	0.91
European	45.76	48.76	..	1.14
Euro Sel Opp	58.28	61.96	..	0.60
Far East	125.1	133.0●	..	0.15
Hedged Amer	32.1	34.1	..	0.50
Hong Kong	31.19	33.32	..	1.80
Japan	128.3	136.4	..	0.00
Japan S/Opp	69.24	73.58	..	0.00
Pacific Gth	50.08	53.51	..	1.00
GOVETT (JOHN) UNIT MANAGEMENT Shackleton Hse, 4, Battle Bridge Lane, London SE1 2HR Tel: 01-378 7979 Dealings01-689 0529				
Intl Gth	89.45	95.16	+0.07	1.10
American Gth	87.78	93.72	-0.86	0.89
American Inc	62.08	66.04●	-0.46	4.57
European Gth	46.75	49.73s	-0.29	1.17
Gold & Minrls	46.03	48.96	-0.31	0.89
Japan Gth	84.88	89.78s	+0.79	..
Pacific Inc	85.02	90.45	-0.13	3.33
Pacific Strat	44.93	47.79	-0.17	0.41
UK Prog Inc	69.89	74.34	+1.09	4.98
UK Spec Opps	145.3	154.6●	+0.15	1.27
Gt British	37.71	40.11	+0.55	3.43
UK Sml Co	37.5	39.9s	+1.4	1.43
GRE UNIT MANAGERS Royal Exchange, EC3P 3DN Tel: 01-588 6603				
Gt/Fxd Interest	113.5	117.7●	+0.5	8.48
Gth Equity	244.5	258.7	+2.1	2.77
Guardhill	318.9	331.4●	+4.7	3.32
Income Tst	95.17	100.7	..	4.69
Intl Tst	110.9	117.3●	-3.4	0.37
N American	127.1	134.4	-0.8	1.51

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
KEY FUND MANAGERS 66, High Street Hythe Kent CT21 5AJ Tel: 0303 64779				
Equity & Gen	53.58	57.16	+0.85	2.47
Gt/Fxd Interest	68.02	72.37●	+0.18	8.22
Higher Inc	137.6	147.1	+2.3	5.76
Income	87.04	92.86	+1.06	4.20
International	58.65	60.53s	-0.05	0.86
Smlr Co	55.01	58.69●	+0.22	1.53
KLEINWORT BARRINGTON LIMITED 10 Fenchurch St London EC3 Tel: 01-623 8000 Dealers01-626 6778				
Income Trusts				
Extra Income	48.79	51.99●	+0.53	5.79
Do Acc	50.09	53.29●	+0.53	5.79
Gilt Yield Inc	107.0	113.0●	+0.6	9.55
Do Acc	214.0	225.9●	+1.3	9.55
Global Inc	143.6	152.8●	-1.2	4.52
Do Acc	258.5	275.1	-2.2	4.52
High Yield Inc	111.0	118.1c	+3.4	5.35
Do Acc	239.0	254.3●	+7.1	5.35
Capital Gth Trusts				
Am Sm Co Inc	51.28	54.68	-0.44	0.52
Do Acc	52.81	56.16	-0.46	0.52
N American Inc	43.94	46.74	-0.41	1.59
Do Acc	51.81	55.10	-0.48	1.59
European Inc	85.50	90.85	-0.70	2.09
Do Acc	107.6	114.4	-0.9	2.09
Euro Spec Inc	58.16	61.78	-0.40	1.96
Do Acc	58.63	62.28	-0.40	1.96
Fd Of Invst Inc	23.15	24.82●	+0.05	2.30
Do Acc	30.72	32.66●	+0.07	2.30
General Inc	193.1	205.4	+3.4	2.98
Do Acc	274.8	292.3	+4.8	2.98
Intl Recov Inc	114.2	121.4	-0.1	1.68
Do Acc	122.9	130.7	-0.2	1.68
Japan Inc	286.4	304.7	+0.5	0.00
Do Acc	289.8	308.0	+0.5	0.00
Jap Spec Inc	139.3	148.5	-1.8	0.04
Do Acc	140.0	149.3	-1.8	0.04
Master Acc	149.4	158.8●	+0.2	1.48
Pacific Inc	173.6	184.9	-0.5	0.35
Do Acc	197.2	209.8c	-0.5	0.35
Smlr Co Inc	109.1	116.0	+0.4	1.31
Do Acc	132.6	141.0	+0.6	1.31
UK Eq Gth Inc	28.68	30.51●	+0.39	2.89

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Capital Gth Inc	68.9	73.7	+0.3	3.29
Do Acc	81.17	86.82	+0.39	0.00
Pacific Basin	149.1	159.5●	-0.21	2.72
Do 6% Wdrwl	69.53	74.37●	-0.10	0.00
Finance/Prop	79.59	85.12●	+0.54	2.91
Fixed & Conv	48.12	51.47	+0.22	7.06
Do Acc	90.96	97.30	+0.93	0.00
Equity Income	99.31	106.2	+1.12	4.20
Do Acc	246.3	263.4	+2.77	0.00
High Yield Inc	106.7	114.2●	+1.04	4.98
Do Acc	312.8	334.5●	+3.04	0.00
Intl Income	79.52	85.05	+0.29	1.45
Do Acc	83.21	89.00	+0.31	0.00
Do 5% Wdrwl	72.9	78.3	..	1.34
Preference Inc	47.54	51.40c	+0.17	7.22

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Do Acc	438.3	466.3	+9.06	5.01
International	318.5	339.8	-0.73	1.04
Do Acc	400.7	427.4	-0.92	1.04
Pacific	201.6	214.3	-0.15	0.35
Do Acc	208.5	222.9	-0.16	0.35
Nat Resources	58.43	63.22e	-0.47	1.44
Do Acc	62.46	66.45c	-0.50	1.44
Selected Opps	77.59	82.54●	+0.80	2.42
Do Acc	88.54	94.19●	+0.87	2.42
TARGET TRUST MANAGERS Target House, Gatehouse Rd, Aylesbury Bucks Tel: (0296) 394000				
Amer Eagle	63.62	68.22	-0.54	0.87
Australian	7.26	7.79	-0.08	0.10
Commodity	75.13	81.16	+0.26	0.61

The prices in this section refer to Wednesday's trading

● Ex dividend. c Cum dividend. k Cum stock split. s Ex stock split. m Cum all (any two or more of above). a Ex all (any two or more of above). Dealing or valuation days: (1) Monday. (2) Tuesday. (3) Wednesday. (4) Thursday. (5) Friday.

UNLISTED SECURITIES

INVESTMENT TRUSTS

160	114	Usher (Frank)	113	118	●-2	8.0	6.9	8.8
75½	61	WSP Hldgs	67	72	● ..	2.1	3.0	15.5
68	41	Wardell Roberts	55	70	..	..	..	..
110	44	Wayne Kerr	105	108	-1	..	..	22.9
29	21	Welpac	24	28	+1	0.7	2.7	10.8
58	36	Wentworth	40	45	..	2.3	5.3	11.5
250	80	Whitney Mackay	85	95	-2	5.7	6.3	11.0
89	41	William (Rex) Hldgs	53	55	-1	0.7	1.3	48.8
157	115	Wood John D & Co	112	122	● ..	5.3	4.5	9.5
170	98	Woodtons Better	128	138	+3	5.9	4.4	22.3
156	90	Wld of Leather	115	125	..	4.4	3.7	16.7
215	145	Wyevale	202	212	r ..	4.8	2.3	21.5
76	69	Wyko	70	75	● ..	3.7	5.1	11.6
43	23	Yelverton	33	36	..	..	..	31.8
80	51	Yorks Tst Co	50	54	-2	2.7	5.2	6.7
186	158	Young Group	172	177	+2	8.7	5.0	9.8
78	1½	Zurich Group	55	58	..	..	..	..
107	68	Zygal Dynamics	85	95	●+2	2.7	3.0	12.5

THIRD MARKET

114	63	ASB Barnett	75	80	-2	..	..	..
44	15	Americoat	13	18	+1	..	..	..
85	66	Andaman Res	55	58	..	..	..	..
105	57	Beckenham	87	92	+4	2.3	2.6	26.5
230	152	Broadcast	192	200	..	..	..	23.1
145	108	Chelsea Art	105	115	..	1.3	1.2	13.1
62	36	Chemex Intl	43	48	r ..	..	..	..
105	65	Contac	90	100	..	3.3	3.5	10.7
160	120	Crown Eye	140	150	..	..	..	16.7
16	7½	Eglinton	6½	8	-½	..	..	..
143	77	Far E Res	80	90	..	..	..	..
90	76	Hickes	80	85	..	..	..	13.8
41	20	Homeskill	25	27	r ..	..	..	25.7
98	41	Kemp (PE)	42	47	..	2.0	4.4	8.4
88	58	LGW	62	67	+5	..	..	13.8
103	88	Lindsay Lar	96	99	●+1	1.7	1.7	20.0
85	15	Lynx Tech	13	17	r ..	..	..	5.0
147	89	Medicore	110	115	+2	..	..	..
39	14	Norton Gp	13	15	..	..	..	..
50	42	Pennine Optical	40	43	-1	..	..	11.4
31	13	Pub Hldgs	18	19	..	..	..	10.4
83	61	Ransomgear	60	62	..	..	..	..
237	150	Royal Sovereign	209	217	..	8.4	3.0	..
118	68	Sencat	92	97	●+2	1.3	1.4	..
298	200	Tillons	263	278	..	1.4	0.5	37.5
135	110	UPL	105	116	..	3.8	3.5	14.7
182	120	Uni Group	163	173	..	6.7	4.0	9.8

FOREIGN EXCHANGES

Sterling index compared with 1975 was same at 75.8 (day's range 75.8-76.0).

STERLING SPOT AND FORWARD RATES

Market rates for September 29

	Range	Close	1 month	3 month
New Yrk	1.6820-1.6855	1.6820-1.6830	0.47-0.45pr	1.25-1.22pr
Montrl	2.0453-2.0580	2.4053-2.0491	0.31-0.14pr	0.55-0.34pr
Amstrdm	3.5675-3.5756	3.5675-3.5713	2-1⅞pr	5⅞-5⅝pr
Brussels	66.25-66.49	66.25-66.46	30-19pr	74-59pr
Copnhgn	12.1332-12.1599	12.1440-12.1563	4⅝-4pr	10⅞-9⅞pr
Dublin	1.1662-1.1682	1.1662-1.1672	51-44pr	140-128pr
Frankft	3.1659-3.1720	3.1659-3.1694	1⅝-1⅝pr	5⅛-5pr
Lisbon	260.21-261.59	260.21-261.20	17-58ds	95-190ds
Madrid	209.20-210.18	209.24-209.70	15pr-par	11-38ds
Milan	2358.16-2364.90	2358.16-2361.25	2pr-1ds	3pr-3ds
Oslo	11.6596-11.7058	11.6596-11.6716	⅜-1⅜ds	4¼-5pr
Paris	10.7698-10.7941	10.7698-10.7813	3⅜-3⅜pr	10⅜-9⅜pr
Stckhlm	10.8405-10.8681	10.8405-10.8503	1½-1⅛pr	3⅝-3pr
Tokyo	225.79-226.36	225.86-226.24	1½-1⅛pr	4-3⅝pr
Vienna	22.24-22.30	22.24-22.27	12-11pr	34⅜-32pr
Zurich	2.6794-2.6858	2.6794-2.6827	2-1⅞pr	5⅞-5⅛pr

Premium = pr. Discount = ds.

OTHER STERLING RATES

Argentina austral*	24.63-24.78
Australia dollar	2.1479-2.1520
Bahrain dinar	0.6325-0.6365
Brazil cruzado*	592.12-595.62
Cyprus pound	0.8120-0.8220
Finland marka	7.4525-7.4925
Greece drachma	255.50-257.50
Hong Kong dollar	13.1369-13.1465
India rupee	24.37-24.57
Kuwait dinar KD	0.4840-0.4880
Malaysia ringgit	4.4990-4.5034
Mexico peso	3750-3850
New Zealand dollar	2.7291-2.7352
Saudi Arabia riyal	6.2925-6.3325
Singapore dollar	3.4312-3.4351
S Africa rand (fin)	6.5941-6.7300
S Africa rand (com)	4.1801-4.1876
U A E dirhem	6.16-6.20

*Lloyds Bank. Rates supplied by Extel and Barclays Bank HOFEX

DOLLAR SPOT RATES

Ireland	1.4246-1.4260	Denmark	7.2200-7.2250	Italy	1402.0-1403.0
Singapore	2.0394-2.0404	W Germany	1.8815-1.8825	Belgium (Com)	39.41-39.44
Malaysia	2.6740-2.5750	Switzerland	1.5923-1.5933	Hong Kong	7.8080-7.8090
Australia	1.2766-1.2782	Netherlands	2.1212-2.1222	Portugal	154.80-155.30
Canada	1.2170-1.2180	France	6.4025-6.4075	Spain	124.40-124.80
Sweden	6.4450-6.4500	Japan	134.20-134.30	Austria	13.23-13.24
Norway	6.9310-6.9360				

Rates supplied by Barclays Bank HOFEX and Extel.

MONEY MARKETS

Base Rates %: Clearing Banks 12 Finance Hse 11
Discount Market Loans %
Overnight High: 11½ Low 10 Week fixed: 11½
Treasury Bills (Discount %)
Buying: 2 mth – 11⅝ 3 mth – 11⅝
Selling: 2 mth – 11½ 3 mth – 11½
Prime Bank Bills (Discount %): 1 mth: 11⁹⁄₁₆-11¹⁵⁄₃₂
2 mth: 11¹⁹⁄₃₂-11½ 3 mth: 11⁹⁄₁₆-11½ 6 mth 11¾-11⅝
Trade Bills (Discount %): 1 mth: 12³⁄₁₆
2 mth: 12⁷⁄₃₂ 3 mth: 12³⁄₁₆ 6 mth 11⅞
Interbank (%). Overnight: open 11½ close 11⅝
1 week: 11⅞-11¾ 1 mth: 11¾-11¹¹⁄₁₆ 3 mth: 11⅞-11¾
6 mth: 11⅝-11¾ 9 mth: 11¹³⁄₁₆-11⅝ 12 mth: 11⅞-11¾
Local Authority Deposits (%)
2 day: 11¼ 7 day: 11⅜ 1 mth: 11⅝
3 mth: 11¾ 6 mth: 11¾ 12 mth: 11⅞
Local Authority Bonds (%)
1 mth: 11⅞-11¾ 2 mth: 12⅛-12⅜ 3 mth: 12⅛-12⅜
6 mth: 12⅛-12⅜ 9 mth: 12⅛-12⅜ 12 mth: 12⅛-12⅜
Sterling CDs (%): 1 mth: 11¹¹⁄₁₆-11⁹⁄₁₆
3 mth: 11¹³⁄₁₆-¾ 6 mth: 11⅞-11¾ 12 mth 11⁵⁄₁₆-³⁄₁₆
Dollar CDs (%): 1 mth: 8.30-8.25
3 mth: 8.55-8.50 6 mth: 8.65-8.60 12 mth 8.95-8.90

ECGD

Fixed Rate Sterling Export Finance. Make-up day: Sept 30, 1988. Agreed rates Oct 26, 1988 to Nov 25, 1988. Scheme I: 13.12 per cent. Schemes II & III: 13.41 per cent. Reference rate Sept 1, 1988 to Sept 30, 1988. Scheme IV & V: 12.234 per cent.

EURO MONEY DEPOSITS %

Currency	7 day	1 mth	3 mth	6 mth
Dollar:	8³⁄₁₆-7¹⁵⁄₁₆	8⁵⁄₁₆-8³⁄₁₆	8¹¹⁄₁₆-8⁹⁄₁₆	8²³⁄₁₆-¹¹⁄₁₆
Call: 8-7				
Deutschemark:	5⅛-4⅞	5-4⅞	5⅜-5¹⁄₁₆	5⁹⁄₁₆-5⁷⁄₁₆
Call: 4⅜-3⅞				
French Franc:	7⅝-7½	7⅞-7¾	8-7⅞	8³⁄₁₆-8¹⁄₁₆
Call: 7½-6½				
Swiss Franc:	2⅞-2⅝	3⁵⁄₁₆-3³⁄₁₆	3¾-3⅝	3¹³⁄₁₆-¹¹⁄₁₆
Call: 3-2				
Yen:	10⅛-9⅞	10³⁄₁₆-10	10⅞-⁵⁄₁₆	10¹¹⁄₁₆-⅝
Call: 3⅜-2⅞				

GOLD

BULLION:
Open: $399.50-400.00 Close: $397.50-398.00
High: $400.25-400.75 Low: $396.75-397.25

COINS: Per coin (Ex VAT)
Britannia: $409.00-414.00 (£243.00-246.00)
Krugerrand: $397.00-400.00 (£236.00-238.00)
Mapleleaf (1oz): $409.00-414.00 (£243.00-246.00)
American Eagles: $409.00-414.00 (£243.00-246.00)
New Sovereigns: $93.50-94.50 (£55.50-56.25)
Old Sovereigns: $93.50-94.50 (£55.50-56.25)
Platinum: $503.00 (£298.85)
Palladium: $119.00 (£70.70)
Silver: $6.19-6.21 (£3.680-3.695)

LONDON FINANCIAL FUTURES

	Open	High	Low	Close	Vol
Three Month Sterling		Previous open interest 39179			
Dec 88	88.38	88.38	88.28	88.32	12788
Mar 89	88.97	89.04	88.97	89.00	1580
Jun 89	89.20	89.25	89.20	89.22	325
Sep 89	88.40	89.40	89.33	89.33	85
Dec 89	89.34	89.34	89.34	89.33	1
Mar 90	89.36	89.35	89.33	89.34	24
Three Month Eurodollar		Previous open interest 27794			
Dec 88	91.16	91.16	91.10	91.15	4392
Mar 89	91.24	91.24	91.19	91.24	724
Jun 89	91.06	91.08	91.04	91.08	399
Sep 89	90.88	90.88	90.83	90.87	155
Dec 89	90.65	90.65	90.65	90.69	4
Mar 90	NT	—	—	90.70	0

	Open	High	Low	Close	Vol
US Treasury Bond		Previous open interest 9800			
Dec 88	87-16	87-18	87-06	87-15	7207
Mar 89	NT	—	—	86-30	0
Long Gilt		Previous open interest 23560			
Dec 88	95-16	95-26	95-14	95-17	18068
Mar 89	NT	—	—	96-02	0
Jun 89	NT	—	—	—	
FT-SE 100		Previous open interest 14934			
Sep 88	182.20	182.80	182.10	182.55	1713
Dec 88	182.90	183.80	182.70	183.30	1585
Japanese Govt Bond		Previous open interest 488			
Dec 88	101.80	101.95	101.80	101.91	415
Mar 89	100.50	100.50	100.50	100.70	1

COMMODITIES

ICIS-LOR Group

Crude prices drifted lower, but there was little evidence of aggressive selling. The market tone remains bearish due to increasing evidence of oversupply. Fuel oil was the weakest component in an equally bearish products market.

CRUDE OILS/assessed ($/BBL FOB)

Brent Phys	12.50	-25
15 day Oct	12.50	-30
15 day Nov	12.70	-30
WTI Nov	13.90	-30
WTI Dec	13.65	-25

PRODUCTS Buy/sell $/MT.
Spot CIF NW Euro - prompt delivery

Prem Gas .15		169-170	
Gasoil EEC		117-118	-1
Non 2H Sep		115-118	
Non 1H Oct	-2	113-114	-1
3.5 Fuel Oil	-2	57-59	-1
Naphtha		126-128	-1

BIFFEX
GNI Freight Futures Dry Cargo ($10/pt)

Sep 88	Hi —	Low	Close 1272
Oct 88	Hi 1352-1321	Low	Close 1352
Jan 89	Hi 1429-1400	Low	Close 1427
Apr 89	Hi 1473-1450	Low	Close 1473

Vol 375 lots Open interest 2657
Dry cargo index 1266 -3 on 28/9/88

IPE FUTURES

GAS OIL	G W Joynson
Oct	114.00-13.75
Nov	115.75-15.50
Dec	118.00-17.75
Jan	118.75-18.50
Feb	118.25-18.00
Mar	117.50-16.75
Apr	116.00-15.75
Vol	6679

BRENT	G W Joynson
Nov	12.75-12.74
Dec	12.90-12.88
Vol	1913

LONDON POTATO FUTURES (£/tonne)

Mth	Open	Close
Nov	58.3	57.5
Feb	68.3	68.3
Apr	92.5	92.9
May	101.0	103.1

Vol 112

LONDON FOX

COCOA	G W Joynson
Sep 750-730	Jul 772-769
Dec 726-725	Sep 787-784
Mar 740-738	Dec 830-825
May 754-753	Vol 4726
COFFEE	G W Joynson
Sep 1191-1185	May 1174-1170
Nov 1210-1209	Jul 1175-1172
Jan 1195-1193	Sep 1170-1150
Mar 1173-1170	Vol 4979
SUGAR	C Czarnikow
FOB	Vol: 4799
Oct 218.2-17.0	May 207.8-08.0
Dec 214.0-14.8	Aug 205.0-07.0
Mar 210.6-10.8	Oct 202.0-04.0

LONDON GRAIN FUTURES
WHEAT close (£/t) Vol 244
Nv 108.25 Ja 111.10 Mr 114.00
My 118.95 Jn 118.70
BARLEY close (£/t) Vol 79
Nv 105.00 Ja 108.25 Mr 110.25
My 112.00

SOYABEAN	
Oct 176.0-72.0	Jun 176.5-74.0
Dec 180.5-79.5	Aug 174.5-71.0
Feb 186.6-85.0	Oct 175.5-71.0
Apr 186.6-85.0	Vol 119

LONDON METAL EXCHANGE
Official prices/volume previous day Rudolf Wolf

(£/tonne)	Cash	3 month	Vol	Tone
Copper Gde A	1489.0-1490.0	1447.0-1449.0	364350	Firmer
Copper Stand	1440.0-1410.0	1395.0-1405.0	25	Quiet
Lead	363.00-364.00	367.00-367.50	46175	Steadier
Zinc Hi Gde*	1299.0-1300.0	1285.0-1287.0	106200	Firmer
Silver Large†	615.00-616.00	628.00-630.00	59	Quiet
Silver Small†	615.00-616.00	628.00-630.00	Nil	Quiet
Aluminium	1232.0-1236.0	1228.0-1230.0	140400	Quiet
Aluminium HI*	2130.0-2140.0	2098.0-2100.0	293450	Steady
Nickel*	10000-11100	10000-10100	12420	Easier

† (Cents per Troy oz). * ($ per tonne)

LONDON MEAT FUTURES (/kg)

Mth	Open	Close
Live Pig Contract		
Oct	94.0	94.0
Nov	95.5	95.5
Feb	96.3	96.3
Apr	100.0	99.5
Live Cattle Contract		
Oct	110.5	110.5
Nov	111.0	111.0
Feb	115.0	115.0

Vol Pig-0 Cattle-0

MEAT & LIVESTOCK COMMISSION
Av'ge fatstock prices at representative markets on September 29

(/kg lw)	Pig	Sheep	Cattle
GB (p)	71.28	142.02	109.79
GB (+/–)	-1.59	-6.01	-2.32
Eng/Wal (%)	+4.2	-14.6	+2.1
Eng/Wal (p)	71.59	141.84	109.27
Eng/Wal (+/–)	-1.61	-5.28	-2.04
Scotland (%)	+24.0	+16.5	-12.9
Scotland (p)	63.02	143.45	111.88
Scotland (+/–)	+0.52	-4.15	-3.00

* Estimated dead carcase weight

STOCK EXCHANGE PRICES

Strong gains

ACCOUNT DAYS: Dealings began September 19. Dealings end today. §Contango day October 3. Settlement day October 10.
§Forward bargains are permitted on two previous business days.

Prices recorded are at market close. Changes are calculated on the previous day's close, but adjustments are made when a stock is ex-dividend. Where one price is quoted, it is a middle price. Changes, yields and price earnings ratios are based on middle prices. (aa) denotes Alpha Stocks.

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No.	Company	Group	Gain or loss
1	Quadrant Group	Leisure	
2	Young (H)	Industrials S-Z	
3	Wolstenholme Rink	Chemicals,Plas	
4	Calor Gp	Oil,Gas	
5	Warburg SG	Banks,Discount	
6	Mountleigh	Property	
7	Chapman	Paper,Print,Adv	
8	Dalgety (aa)	Foods	
9	Regalian	Property	
10	Auto Sec	Electricals	
11	Bank of Ireland	Banks,Discount	
12	Fisons (aa)	Industrials E-K	
13	Kleinwort Benson	Banks,Discount	
14	Wilson Bowden	Building,Roads	
15	Transcontinental	Industrials S-Z	
16	MEPC (aa)	Property	
17	Bellway	Building,Roads	
18	LASMO (aa)	Oil,Gas	
19	Conder Grp	Building,Roads	
20	Allied-Lyons (aa)	Breweries	
21	Ransome Sims	Industrials L-R	
22	Taylor Woodrow (aa)	Building,Roads	
23	Woolworth (aa)	Drapery,Stores	
24	Greycoat	Property	
25	Bank of Scotland	Banks,Discount	
26	ERF	Motors,Aircraft	
27	Portals	Industrials L-R	
28	Hickson	Chemicals,Plas	
29	RHM (aa)	Foods	
30	Adwest	Industrials A-D	
31	Br Land (aa)	Property	
32	Stakis	Hotels,Caterers	
33	TV-AM	Leisure	
34	Lucas (aa)	Motors,Aircraft	
35	Guinness (aa)	Breweries	
36	Adscene	Newspapers,Pub	
37	Fitch Lovell	Foods	
38	BSR	Electricals	
39	Land Sec (aa)	Property	
40	Delta	Industrials A-D	
41	Wellcome (aa)	Industrials S-Z	
42	Lister	Textiles	
43	Barclays (aa)	Banks,Discount	
44	Rank Org (aa)	Industrials L-R	
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Weekly Dividend

Please make a note of your daily totals for the weekly dividend of £8,000 in tomorrow's newspaper.

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	Weekly Total

BRITISH FUNDS

SHORTS (Under Five Years)

1988 High	Low	Stock			Price	Ch'ge	Int. only yld%	Gross Red. yld%
102⅝	92¼	Treas	11½%	1989	100	..	11.4	11.162
102¼	99	Treas	10½%	1989	99¾	..	10.5	10.921
102	98¾	Exch	10%	1989	99¾	..	10.0	10.843
104¼	98⅛	Exch	10½%	1989	99⅞	+⅛	10.2	10.336
103⅛	94⅝	Exch	11%	1989	100⅛	● ..	10.9	10.697
97¼	92¾	Treas	5%	1986-89	95½	● ..	5.2	9.494
101⅞	94	Treas C	9½%	1989	99⅝	● ..	9.56	10.986
97⅝	95⅛	Treas	3%	1989	96⅞	+⅛	3.0	8.356
102⅞	95½	Treas	8%	1990	98	..	8.1	9.144
107⅞	102⅜	Treas	13%	1990	103⅞	..	12.5	10.151
104¼	100	Exch	11%	1990	101⅛	..	10.8	10.143
107¼	102	Exch	12½%	1990	103¾	..	12.1	10.287
93⅛	90⅛	Treas	3%	1990	91⅛	..	3.2	8.979
99⅛	95⅝	Treas	8¼%	1987-90	97	..	8.4	10.110
103⅜	93⅛	Treas	10%	1990	98⅜	● ..	10.0	10.217
91⅛	87⅛	Exch	2½%	1990	88⅜	..	2.8	8.537
105⅛	98⅜	Treas C	10%	1991	100⅝	+⅛	9.9	9.934
107⅞	101⅞	Treas	11¾%	1991	103	..	11.4	10.199
95⅛	87½	Fund	5¾%	1987-91	91½	● ..	6.2	9.845
107⅛	95⅛	Exch	11%	1991	102⅜	● ..	10.7	10.173
90¼	85⅞	Treas	3%	1991	87⅛	+⅛	3.4	8.508
98⅛	92⅛	Treas	8%	1991	94⅝	..	8.4	10.188
113⅞	105⅞	Treas	12¾%	1992	107⅞	+⅛	11.8	10.121
104⅛	98⅛	Treas	10%	1992	99⅞	+⅛	10.0	10.100
106⅛	99⅝	Treas C	10½%	1992	101⅝	+⅛	10.3	10.147
96⅛	82⅞	Treas	3%	1992	83⅛	..	3.60	8.331
98⅛	88⅛	Treas	8%	1992	93⅛	● ..	8.5	10.137
112⅞	104⅛	Exch	12¼%	1992	106⅝	..	11.4	10.157
117⅛	108⅞	Exch	13½%	1992	110⅝	..	12.2	10.178

FIVE TO FIFTEEN YEARS

1988 High	Low	Stock			Price	Ch'ge	Int. only yld%	Gross Red. yld%
97⅛	91⅛	Treas	8¼%	1993	93⅞	+⅛	8.8	10.101
106⅛	93⅞	Treas	10%	1993	99⅝	● ..	10.0	10.072
115⅛	107⅛	Treas	12½%	1993	109⅝	..	11.4	10.132
93	87⅛	Fund	6%	1993	88⅝	..	6.78	8.949
121⅞	112⅛	Treas	13¾%	1993	113⅞	..	12.0	10.218
101⅛	91⅛	Treas	8⅛%	1994	93⅜	..	9.0	10.105
93⅛	92⅛	Treas	8⅛%	1994 a	93⅛	..	..	
125⅛	115⅛	Treas	14½%	1994	117⅛	..	12.3	10.139
116⅛	107⅛	Exch	12½%	1994	109⅛	..	11.3	10.249
120⅛	105	Exch	13½%	1994	113⅛	● ..	11.8	10.235
101⅛	93⅛	Treas	9%	1994	95⅛	+⅛	9.4	9.986
105	98	Treas	10%	1994	99⅛	+⅛	10.0	10.030
114⅛	105⅛	Treas	12%	1995	108⅛	+⅛	11.1	10.212
83⅛	78⅛	Gas	3%	1990-95	81⅛	● ..	3.67	6.449
106⅛	98⅛	Exch	10¼%	1995	100⅛	+⅛	10.1	10.082
120⅛	111	Treas	12¾%	1995	113	+⅛	11.2	10.140
126⅛	116⅛	Treas	14%	1996	118⅛	+⅛	11.7	10.239

1988 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Ch'ge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
665	522	Nat West (aa)	562	564	● ..	33.7	6.0	9.8
369	338	Provincial	313	317	● ..	23.3	7.4	8.8
111	75	Rea Bros	74	79	● ..	0.3	0.4	..
140	84	Rothschild (J) Hld	145	148	+3	10.7	7.4	5.9
380	297	Ryl Bk Scot (aa)	347	350	+4	17.9	5.1	6.8
10	850	Schroders	850	980	● ..	22.8	2.4	11.3
575	407	Stand Chart (aa)	547	550	●+1	46.7	8.5	..
117½	98	TSB (aa)	103	104	●+1½	6.6	6.4	8.9
595	493	Union Disc	490	500	+2	38.4	7.8	11.2
355	278	Warburg SG	292	297	+8	15.3	5.2	7.9
133	95	Do 4% 'A'	100	103	●+3	8.0	7.8	..
40⅝	23	Wells Fargo	40⅝	-	+¼	..	..	..
458	443	Wintrust	440	465	● ..	9.3	2.1	18.7

BREWERIES

1988 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Ch'ge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
471	322	Allied-Lyons (aa)	466	469	+4	17.3	3.7	14.0
867	734	Bass (aa)	790	795	..	26.9	3.4	11.9
66	44	Belhaven	55	57	..	1.0	1.8	21.9
175	127	Boddington	145	148	..	5.4	3.7	15.2
207	129	Buckleys	133	142	..	4.4	3.2	42.6
185	147	Bulmer (H P)	170	178	+2	8.7	5.0	11.8
181	120	Burtonwood Brew	173	177	..	4.2	2.4	21.6
390	332	Clark (Matthew)	383	393	● ..	14.7	3.8	10.6
371	292	Devenish (JA)	308	316	..	4.0	1.3	27.5
246	178	Greenall Whitley	244	247	+3	8.3	3.4	14.0
494	432	Greene King	460	466	..	9.9	2.1	20.6
357	271	Guinness (aa)	322	324	●+5	12.9	4.0	10.7
770	690	Hardys & Hansons	760	780	..	30.0	3.9	14.4
127	78	Highland Dist	110	115	+1	3.4	3.0	17.7
308	168	Invergordon Distl	295	305	●+1	8.3	2.8	18.1
440	125	Irish Distl	409	421	-1	..	..	..
167	118	Marston Thompson	146	150	+4	3.9	2.8	16.6
683	484	Morland	625	660	..	10.9	1.7	25.4
368	265	SA Breweries	265	280	+5	..	..	..
384	206	Scot & New (aa)	342	344	-3	12.2	3.6	16.9
721	479	Vaux Group	672	680	..	21.6b	3.2	20.6
317	268	Whitbread 'A' (aa)	299	301	..	14.1	4.7	11.2
700	324	Do 'B'	600	700	+15	14.1	2.2	34.2
411	298	Whitbread Inv	378	387	+5	12.3	3.2	40.7
434	351	Wolverhampton & D	401	408	..	8.2	2.0	17.2
530	345	Young 'A'	485	585	..	12.3	2.5	28.9

BUILDING, ROADS

1988 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Ch'ge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
273	217	Abbey	213	223	●+1	..	..	..
400	315	Amec	374	377	+1	19.3	5.1	10.7
473	343	Anglia Sec	390	405	+12	3.4	0.9	23.4
54	36	Anglo Utd	42	45	●-1	1.3	3.0	19.1
206	90	Arncliffe	147	162	..	5.3	3.4	9.8
350	247	Attwoods	290	295	-1	8.7	3.0	16.6
310	238	BPB Ind (aa)	254	256	+5	11.3	4.4	8.8
320	240	Baggeridge Brick	270	280	..	5.0	1.8	19.4
86	53	Bailey (Ben) Constr	75	78	..	2.9	3.8	6.0
216	160	Barratt Devs	177	179	-1	14.9	8.4	7.6
272	181	Bellway	237	240	+8	10.7	4.5	11.5
113	83½	Bellwinch	81	86	● ..	5.0	6.0	5.7
384	256	Berkeley Gp	280	285	..	4.7	1.7	10.8
122	83	Best Bros	100	110	..	4.8	4.6	24.2
400	320	Blockleys	350	400	● ..	9.7	2.8	20.4
474	408	Blue Circle (aa)	438	440	● ..	21.3	4.9	10.4
390	318	Boot (Henry)	375	388	..	19.3	5.1	9.0
285	167	Breedon PLC	225	245	●+2	9.1	3.9	31.5
170	110	Br Dredging	135	142	+3	6.9	5.0	30.3
157	117	Bryant	134	137	+2	5.7	4.2	8.4
166	112	CALA	142	147	● ..	3.7	2.6	10.0
144	110	CRH	128	132	● ..	..	..	..
155	104	Calebread Robey	123	133	..	5.1	4.0	22.2
355	258	Caradon	312	317	..	10.7	3.4	11.7
140	97	Church Charles	100	104	..	1.3	1.3	11.1
390	195	Condor Gp	330	350	+5	8.7	2.6	11.6
174	112	Copson PLC	170	177	●+5	4.0	2.3	21.5
336	259	Costain	316	319	●+1	14.0	4.4	13.0
317	203	Countryside	240	248	+1	3.0	1.2	12.0
231	178	Crest Nicholson	202	205	● ..	8.3	4.1	10.3
128	73	Crosby James	115	120	● ..	2.7	2.3	8.3
295	229	Douglas (RM)	283	288	● ..	5.7b	2.0	22.4
41	23	Edmund Hldgs	34	38	●+½	1.5	4.3	16.5
105	78	Erith	97	102	●-1	4.4	4.4	13.5
309	175	Federated Hsg	243	247	● ..	7.7	3.1	8.9

1988 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Ch'ge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
92	58	DDT Group	87	97	+10	1.6	1.7	31.1
114	75	Dale Elec	101	105	●-1	5.7	5.5	12.3
59	38	Do 'A'	49	54	● ..	2.0	3.8	11.8
348	278	Domino	285	295	-3	4.3	1.5	14.4
64	53	Dowding & Mills	58	60	+2	2.4	4.1	14.5
221	176	Electrocomponents	192	194	+1	5.8	3.0	13.1
128	99	Elec Data Process	105	110	..	2.8	2.6	9.2
87	65	Electronic Mach	67	77	● ..	1.2	1.7	87.8
480	367	Emess	438	445	..	11.5	2.6	10.7
403	267	Eurotherm	393	403	●+5	8.6	2.2	14.5
143	113	FKI Babcock (aa)	124	126	+4½	3.1	2.5	10.9
179	138	Farnell Elect	150	154	+2	4.8	3.2	11.6
98	76½	Ferranti Intl (aa)	94	96	+½	3.1	3.3	11.9
69	50	Forward Tech	52	57	-1	1.3	2.4	9.0
166	144	GEC (aa)	158	159	●-1	8.7	5.5	9.4
405	192	Harland Simon	373	380	-1	3.2	0.8	24.3
85	46	Highland Elect	68	73	+1	3.3	4.8	10.5
410	195	Hoskyns Gp	400	410	..	32.0	7.9	36.3
65	40	ITL Gp	42	47	..	2.7	6.0	7.8
215	150	Jones Stroud	205	225	● ..	8.0	3.7	11.1
385	327	Kode	322	332	..	20.7	6.3	10.7
385	250	Lec Refrigeration	365	375	● ..	18.0	4.9	10.3
58½	37	Life Sciences	52	56	● ..	1.3	2.4	32.0
391	232	Logica	347	352	..	3.1	0.9	19.3
298	228	Macro 4	265	280	●-5	5.2	1.9	17.6
254	173	Memec	212	219	..	5.9	2.7	14.1
65	43	MBS	40	45	..	1.3e	3.0	9.9
463	282	Microfilm Repro	368	383	r ..	4.2	1.1	38.1
180	87	Micro Focus	156	166	+2	..	..	16.3
316	219	Microgen	223	230	-1	8.0	3.5	14.0
190	115	Miel	170	-	..	..	..	..
24⅝	19½	Molex	22⅛	-	-⅛	..	..	..
74	43	Muirhead Elect	59	64	..	0.1	0.2	46.8
44	29	Murray Elect	32	35	..	0.3	0.9	89.5
328	253	Newmark (Louis)	305	320	●-½	19.6	6.3	10.4
102	88½	NEI	99½	101	●-½	7.2b	7.2	32.7
122	64	MMW Comp	72	79	+3	3.3	4.3	13.4
382	245	Northamber	388	392	r +1½	2.0	0.5	19.1
24	18	Oceonics	18	20	+½	..	..	3.8
276	200	Oxford Instruments	244	247	● ..	3.6	1.5	16.5
221	135	P E International	193	203	● ..	5.1	2.6	14.1
250	175	P & P	247	251	●+1	2.7	1.1	20.6
69	45	Peek	45	47	..	0.4	0.9	30.3
83½	72½	Philips Fin 5⅞%	75	80	● ..	575	7.4	..
10	700	Philips Lamps N/V	9⅛		..			
317	239	Pifco	312	322	..	11.3	3.6	8.9
371	174	Do 'A' Ltd Voting	267	274	..	11.3	4.2	7.6
235	158	Pilgrim House	194	196	r +5	8.0	4.1	10.8
178	141	Plessey (aa)	159	161	+½	8.9	5.6	10.1
179	117	Pressac	166	169	..	2.3	1.4	17.0
132	74	Quest Automation	107	112	●+3	2.0	1.8	9.4
351½	202	Racal Elect (aa)	294	296	+4½	6.0	2.0	21.0
180	106	Ross	103	108	..	4.7	4.4	11.2
86	68	SD Scicon	81	84	..	0.9	1.1	24.9
155	97	Scantronic	98	103	r	2.1	2.1	17.1
490	430	Scholes (GH)	470	490	●	22.7	4.7	13.4
396	192	Sema Gp	301	315	●-1½	2.9	1.0	23.1
130	75	Sintrom	97	107	..	3.1	3.0	13.5
39	25	Sound Diffusion	28	30	..	0.1	0.3	7.6
301	219½	STC (aa)	280	282	●+1½	10.3	3.7	12.5
23⅝	18¼	TDK	19⅞		-⅛			
344	192	Telephone Rentals	342	346	+9	11.3	3.3	25.2
61	15	Telemetrix	48	51				
218	127	Therm Scientific	212	217		5.3	2.5	15.9
675	533	THORN EMI (aa)	640	645	●+28	29.3	4.6	12.3
415	315	Tunstall	330	350	..	5.0	1.5	15.9
426	332	UEI	388	393	+4	9.3	2.4	16.2
262	184	Unitech	211	215	●+3	12.1	5.7	10.8
230	140	Utd Scientific	190	195	●+5	9.2	4.8	14.8
423	308	VG Instruments	325	340	●+11	6.5	2.0	11.1
380	325	Volex	332	352	●-1	15.0	4.7	12.1
122	93	Western Selection	99	109	-1	4.8	4.6	10.3
503	390	Wholesale Fittings	498	508	●+3	17.2	3.4	15.8

FINANCE, LAND

1988 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Ch'ge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
445	63	AC Hldgs	77	82	s +2	5.6	7.0	3.1
255	192	Abingworth	248	253	+1	1.7	0.7	..
108	81	Aitken Hume	72	77	●-1	3.3	4.4	..
318	265	Antofagasta	302	307	-3	16.0	5.2	8.9
87	68	Ass Heritage	71	75	● ..	3.3	4.5	28.9
410	200	Authority Inv	190	210	-10	8.0	4.0	10.3
195	163	Berkeley Govett	170	180	● ..	..	..	..
303	214	Br Commonwealth (aa)	219	220	+1½	11.3	5.1	9.3
138	81	Burns-Anderson	97	102	..	5.0	5.0	15.4

1988 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Ch'ge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
204	148	Triplex Lloyd	182	187		6.0	3.2	11.5
415	310	Unitare	395	435		..	..	..
173	42	Unigroup	52	55	+1			
515	433	Unilever (aa)	457	461	-2	16.1	3.5	11.3
46	27¼	Unilever (NV)	32⅛	-	+⅛	..	..	..
26	17	Utd Guarantee	18	18	..	..	..	..
558	375	VSEL	395	405	+2	13.3	3.3	8.6
73	17	Vernon	26	27	+½	0.4	1.5	37.8
183	149	Vickers	168	170	-2	9.2	5.4	10.7
200	147	Vinten	170	180	●+2	5.3	3.0	18.3
89⅝	72¾	Volkswagen	84⅞	-	+1	..	..	..
220	168	Vosper Thornycroft	200	205				11.0
208	149	Wace Potteries	145	152	-2	8.2	4.2	10.4
323	269	Wagon Ind	308	317	● ..	16.0	5.1	11.3
128	92	Walker, Greenbank	112	115	+1	3.0	2.6	12.6
185	153	Warner Howard	174	184		4.0	2.2	18.5
119	69	Waterford Glass	101	103	+2			
252	176	Weir	233	235	● ..	7.3	3.1	20.7
558	453	Wellcome (aa)	505	508	+6	4.0	0.8	46.1
49	34	Wellman	41½	43	..	..	..	5.5
78	37	Westmex	65	-	r			
335	307	Whatman Reeve	325	335	-5	5.5	1.7	14.5
121	61	Whessoe	86	101	..	1.3	1.3	
95	65	[illegible]	85	88	● ..	2.3	2.6	25.3
325	243	Whitecroft	293	298		15.3	5.2	11.5
209	149	Wilkes (James)	183	200	●+1	9.7	4.9	14.2
24½	18	Williams Syst	18	19½		0.3	1.6	17.3
318	257	Williams Hldgs (aa)	261	263	+½	13.3	5.1	12.6
130	111	Wills Gp	110	115		3.5	4.9	20.0
285	230	Wolseley	235	238	+2	9.7	4.1	9.7
192	140	Wood (Arthur)	150	160		4.8	3.1	15.4
153	85	Wood (SW)	138	138	●+1	2.7	2.0	8.1
222	153	Worcester	192	202	+2	3.1	1.6	20.7
263	185	Wyndham Eng	243	253	● ..	4.0	1.6	7.0
504	245	Yale & Valor	403	410	●+5½	10.0	2.5	16.7
168	118	Young (H)	182	187	+5	5.9	3.6	10.9

INSURANCE

1988 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Ch'ge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
348	226	Abbey Life (aa)	314	316	-½	14.0	4.5	..
15⅛	850	Alex & Alex	15⅛	-	-⅛	..	..	..
537½	350	Allianz Vers	534⅞	-	+⅞	..	..	..
20½	14⅛	Am Gen	20½	-	..	..	..	..
188	124	Archer (A.J)	132	135				
245	208	Bradstock	225	233	●-1	6.8	3.0	13.1
392	314	Britannic	360	365	● ..	19.7	5.4	..
407½	296	Com Union (aa)	340	341	●+½	22.7	6.7	12.9
225	158	FAI	185	210				..
954	794	Gen Accident (aa)	883	888	+4	50.7	5.7	
198	165	GRE (aa)	187	189		11.6	6.2	
449	364	Heath C E	406	410	-1	34.2	8.4	13.8
183	134	Hogg Rob & GM	139	142	+1	3.3	2.3	
343	252	Legal & Gen (aa)	308	310	● ..	16.3	5.3	
192	147	Lloyd Thompson	185	195	+1	6.7e	3.5	14.6
309	238	London & Man	280	283	-4	11.9	4.2	40.1
210	125	Lon Utd Inv	123	132	● ..	10.7	8.4	14.6
35	25⅝	Marsh & McLen	33⅞	-	-⅛			
223	130	PWS	148	150		14.0	9.4	8.2
547	410	Pearl (aa)	470	472	●+4	18.0	3.8	33.6
179	148	Prudential (aa)	155	157	●+½	9.6	6.2	
485	398	Refuge	473	477	●-2	25.0	5.3	25.3
439	358	Royal (aa)	381	383	●+1	27.3	7.0	..
245	188	Sedgwick (aa)	226	229	●-1	16.0	7.0	14.8
229	152	Steel Burrill	223	233	●	13.3	5.8	14.3
354	227	Stenge Hldgs	223	330	-2	10.2	4.5	14.5
10	785	Sun Alliance (aa)	10	10		48.0	4.8	..
12½	964	Sun Life	975	990	-31	46.4	4.7	
583	355	Trade Indemnity	550	565	●-5	8.1	1.5	25.6
278	202	Willis Faber (aa)	244	247	●+2	15.3	6.2	12.9
75	46	Windsor	47	52	..	..	..	..

Investment Trusts appear on Page 28

LEISURE

1988 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Ch'ge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
184	150	Anglia TV 'A'	173	180		8.5	4.8	24.6
340	175	Barr & WA 'A'	285	305	● .	15.3	5.2	15.1
245	170	Boosey & Hawkes	227	237		4.1	1.8	18.1
431	288	Brent Walker	355	357	+4	12.0	3.4	11.8
328	202	Campari	269	274	●+1	9.3	3.4	7.7
377	161	Capital Radio	358	368	+1	9.3	2.5	22.4

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574	271	LASMO (aa)	545	547	+7	10.3	1.9	48.8
195	140	Do Units	175	180	-2	31.9	17.9	
34	19	Mannex	23	25	+1			
27	16	New London Oil	16	18	.			
67	32	Oil Search	35	38	-1			
69	47	Petrocon	47	54				
2¾	1¼	Petroz	1⅛	1¾				
66	45	Premier	58	59	s +1			30.5
373	221	Ranger	326	330	-8			.
67⅞	59¼	Royal Dutch	62½	-	+⅛	..		..
11	954½	Shell (aa)	968	972	●+12	70.7	7.3	10.4
340	163	Silkolene	312	322	+2	13.3	4.2	10.2
175	91	Sovereign	165	167	-1	.		44.0
17	11	TR Energy	11	13				11.8
6	1	Target	0½	1½	-½			
200	119	Triton Europe	155	158				36.3
300	169	Ultramar (aa)	254	256	r +11	8.9	3.5	25.2
91	44	Woodside	78	82	-4			

OVERSEAS TRADERS

1988 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Ch'ge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
54	33	Boustead	42	44	+2	0.7	1.6	19.6
153	117	Chillington	132	139	+5	9.3	6.8	10.7
115	76	Finlay (James)	112	117	+3	5.5	4.8	
676	546	Harrison Crosfld (aa)	665	670	+29	34.7	5.2	18.7
238	155	Inchcape (aa)	212	213	+12½	9.8	4.6	12.8
360	163	Lonrho (aa)	344	346	●-2	15.8	4.6	16.0
71	45	Ocean Wilson	44	49	+1	3.3	7.0	8.8
355	305	Paterson Zoch	322	332		9.8	2.9	10.1
355	305	Do 'A'	322	332	..	9.8	2.9	10.1
330	240	Polly Peck (aa)	324	327	+9		.	7.8
89	52	Sime Darby	80	85				
108	72	Tozer Kemsley	94	96	●+1	3.3	3.5	9.5

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266	202	Abbott Mead	245	250	●	6.3	2.5	13.8
44	32	Addison Cons	33	35		1.9	5.6	7.9
271	238	Assoc Paper	260	265		11.0	4.2	11.7
430	275	BPP	335	375	●	9.9	2.8	21.2
181	110	Barker (Charles)	143	148	+3	4.4	3.0	15.9
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191	121	Bunzl (aa)	133	136	●	7.1	5.3	12.1
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343	263	Chapman	325	350	+5	13.3	3.9	13.0
238	173	Cropper (James)	210	225		2.8	1.3	9.8
487	351	DRG	482	484	●+13	15.1	3.1	18.0
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414	336	Lowe HS & B	372	377	+1	13.7	3.7	12.5
190	140	MIL Research	147	157		5.3	3.5	11.7
271	174	More O'Ferrall	235	240	●+1	10.4	4.4	11.7
154	121	Norton Opax	141	143	●+3½	5.3	3.7	11.8
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190	128	Olives Paper	170	180	-2			
117	85	Paragon Comms	103	108		2.7	2.5	11.8
237	185	St Ives Gp	204	209	-2	2.8	1.4	9.3
451	334	Saatchi 10p (aa)	343	345	●+4	20.7	6.0	7.5
108	79	Do Conv	81	83	●	8.4	10.2	
510	415	Standwick	425	435	+5	8.2	1.9	14.3
385	307	Smith David	314	317	●	9.3	2.9	10.4
493	305	Smurfit (Jeff)	412	420	+1			
190	135	UK Paper	172	175	●	5.3	3.0	10.1
362	332	Usher Walker	352	372		11.9	3.3	12.9
483	268	VPI Gp	272	276	+3	4.7	1.7	16.4
271	195	WCRS	200	203	●+2	5.3	2.6	8.6
633	403	WPP	585	593	+9	13.7	2.3	21.3
328	180	Wace	293	296		4.3	1.5	25.3
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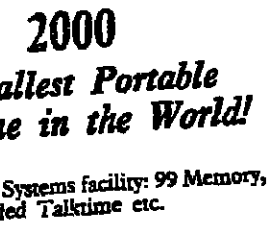

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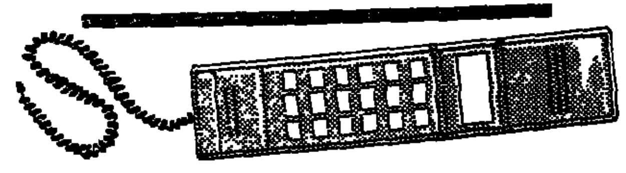

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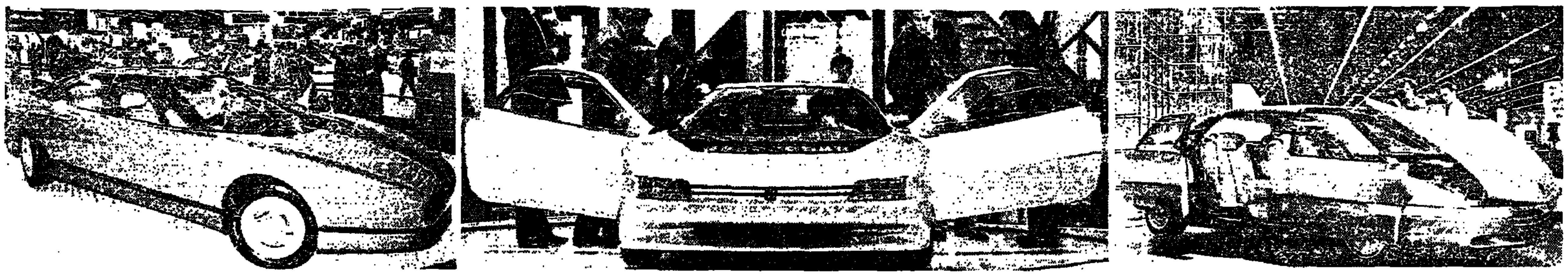


Above, the trio of French concept cars: the Citroën Activa with automatically adjusted seats, Peugeot Oxia sports coupé, and sliding doored Renault Megane

French open doors

The British were closer to readiness on the eve of the Paris motor show than the rivals. The Rolls-Royces and Bentleys had been polished and covered up for the night and amid the green leather and walnut panelling on the Jaguar stand a final dusting was in dutiful progress.

However, all around varying degrees of chaos reigned. An army *of carpet-layers grappled with rolls* to cover areas the size of football pitches. Peugeot's Oxia concept car was in place on its turntable but groups of worried-looking *engineers crouched around the* space-age dashboard suggesting that the car's computers had, for the moment at least, out-foxed their makers.

Elsewhere, Lamborghini's stand was bare of cars. Paint brushes and stapleguns were much in evidence, as the lady assigned potted plants to each stand, and heavy cranes chugged within a hair's breath of priceless prototype models.

Yet in the colourful, brightly lit building, the gloss of the Paris motor show was already evident. By comparison, the Italian's rely on their tradition of unveiling advanced styling cars to provide excitement, while at the Frankfurt show nothing is allowed to detract from the technical *tour de force* of BMW, Mercedes, Porsche and VW.

The increasingly fierce rivalry between Peugeot, Citroën and Renault in France has seen the former pull clear with a market share of almost 35 per cent at a *time when Renault is hopeful of* recovering to 30 per cent. However, between them they control more than two thirds of the 2.1 million French car market and this is reflected in the show hall.

Renault occupies a vast centre stage the size of a cricket pitch. Peugeot and Citroën face each other across the entrance .

The Japanese now set the pace in the race to present ever more advanced and innovative concept or research cars at shows. The trio of French concept cars at Paris is proof that the domestic car makers do not want to be left behind.

Only the **Peugeot Oxia** claimed real attention and caused excitement. It could have passed for a beautiful racing car yet avoided the faceless roundness of such *sports cars. The squat two-seater is* built from carbon fibre and aluminium honeycomb material, mirroring the concept of Le Mans racing cars. However, the Peugeot *has four-wheel steering and four-*wheel drive to cope with the 680bhp performance, which is equal to a Grand Prix car.

Above the plunging bonnet, 18 solar panels provide power for the plethora of computer systems available to the driver.

Doubtless, Citroën would have liked to have had the new DX executive car at Paris to replace the 14-year-old CX, but instead it will be seen next spring at the Geneva show.

The **Citroen Activa** research car looked professional though disappointingly dull for the marque which has sadly learnt that commercial success and individual design are not natural bedfellows.

The doors of the prototype open electrically from the front and rear of the car, and the seats automatically adjust to the driver when he keys in a coded entry message. Vehicle speed is shown on an aircraft-style head-up display.

Again, to prove that the Europeans can do anything the aggressive Japanese can, the car has four-wheel steering and four-wheel drive. The steering is unusual because it is entirely computer-operated — dubbed "drive-by-wire" — where hydraulic motors turn each wheel individually, taking signals from a central computer.

Citroën's traditional hydropneumatic suspension has been updated with advanced electronic control which ensures the body will remain level when cornering.

The **Renault Megane**, powered by a 250bhp, 3-litre engine, is claimed to be a new definition of *the large car, yet its styling* lacks any worthy orginality even if the detail ideas are interesting.

The sleek shape has an aerodynamic drag coefficient of only 0.22, aided by a windscreen wiper which is out of sight beneath a cover when not in use, and small rear-facing TV cameras which do the job of wing mirrors.

After the doors have slid apart the driver's seat turns through 60 degrees to the "greeting position" to make access easier. As rear passengers move their seats back for more legroom so the rear windscreen moves in unison to ensure adequate headroom.

More important for the marque than the Megane is the success of the new " Escort class" **Renault R19** which replaces the lack lustre R9/R11. It will arrive in Britain next spring. It lacks the flair of rival Peugeots and the interior is uninspiring for a new model. In a bid to make the R19 a strong rival to the VW Golf, the Frenchness appears to have been dispensed with, to be replaced by a European style, whatever that is.

The **VW Corrado** coupe and **Audi V8** are making their début at Paris. The Corrado is a good-looking machine complemented by an expensive black leather interior which will have style-conscious yuppies queueing up for the VW that seems balanced between being a sports car and a coupe.

The 250bhp V8 engine in the Ingolstadt car is designed to take the Audi 200 up into the Mercedes luxury car class, though a seven-year-old car may not be the ideal starting point for such an ambitious move.

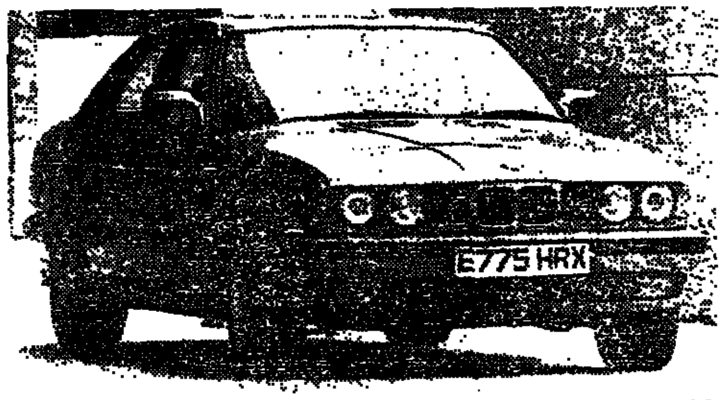
Jaguar's win in the Le Mans 24-*hour sports car race this year has* done its French sales no harm: registrations for 1988 will reach 1,500 a five-fold improvement in four years. The French had a curious affection for the old SD1 Rover and are now buying increasing number of Rovers, though hordes of chic Minis still appear in every Paris traffic jam.

The Japanese are restricted to three per cent of the French market — they have an 11 per cent share in Britain — and Nissan leads the way as it does here.

Paris marked the début of the new seven-seater **Nissan Prairie**, much smarter than its predecessor though uncomfortably similar to the excellent Renault Espace. Also new was the **Nissan 200ZX** which replaces the Silvia coupe.

And what of the British? They're holding fire until next month's Birmingham motor show.

ROAD TEST By Clifford Webb



Going up-market: the chunkier BMW 137mph 525i SE at £20,525

Small brother goes image

BMW's new mid-range 5-Series saloon appeared some 18 months after its much-praised top-of-the-range 7-Series brother. Despite *the "age" difference, they were* developed side-by-side so the 5-Series, on sale here since June, is, in effect, a smaller 7-Series. This means it is as far ahead of its *predecessor as the* 7-Series was.

For the first time, Munich has a car which provides real competition for Mercedes's mid-range 200/300 models.

The 5-Series is now nearly four inches longer, two inches wider and the wheelbase is more than five inches longer, giving much-needed additional room inside and — just as important for a car intended for the more affluent end of the market — a very much improved ride.

The body is a remarkable 70 per cent more rigid than the old one and this is reflected in the suppression of body noise and the crisp, sports car-like handling, which is also improved by the 50/50 weight distribution between front and rear axles.

The version tested was the 525i SE, costing £20,525. SE stands for Special Equipment and in this case it means a sports steering wheel, alloy wheels and fatter tyres, an electric sun roof, rear head restraints, halogen fog lights, heated mirrors and heated driver's door lock. For that package you pay a reasonable £1,285 more than the price of the standard 525i.

All 5-Series models have the six-cylinder engine which still sets industry targets for output, smoothness and flexibility. In the 525i it is the 2.5 litre, 170bhp version which gives it a 0-62mph (100kph) time of 9.5 seconds and a top speed of 137mph.

It is the quiet, effortless way in which the 525i goes about its business which sets it apart from most of the competition. This is achieved by building a strong body and incorporating up to 1 cwt of sound-deadening material, including flush-fitted glass and large, soft, triple door seals.

The standard specification is very high — a departure from BMW's traditional practice of producing basic cars with long lists of expensive optional extras. Power steering is standard throughout the range, as is green-tinted glass, central dead-locking doors, electric windows and seat-height adjustment. Anti-lock brakes appear on all except the entry-level 520i model.

The test car had the standard five-speed manual gearbox. An automatic costs an extra £475.

Such comprehensive standard equipment has raised the price of the 5-Series substantially — more than £2,500 in the case of the cheapest model — and is the clearest possible evidence of Munich's determination to reposition its cars further up market to reinforce its brand image and to avoid up-and-coming rivals such as Audi and Honda.

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Two men with vision see the glint of gold

An old mine which yielded the gold to make wedding rings for royalty could become a leading tourist attraction in Wales if the vision of two entrepreneurs becomes reality, *writes Ian A. Jack.*

Before it closed in 1986, Clogau St David's, in the hills above Bontddu, Gwynedd, yielded thousands of ounces and the Queen, the Queen Mother, the Princess Royal and the Princess of Wales are among those who wear Clogau gold wedding rings.

Now Bill Roberts and Jim Leighton, two of the directors of Snowdonia Leisure plc, plan to re-open the mine, transporting more than 500 visitors an hour by cable car from a base at Bontddu on the Dolgellau-Barmouth road. Mini-trains will then rattle the visitors 2,500 ft into the mountain to the old gold face.

The reality of their dream so far is represented by the Clogau Miners, a refitted, restyled — and renamed — pub on the roadside at Bontddu which will act as a gateway to the whole Clogau Gold Mine Centre project.

The £2 million-plus project still has a fair way to go but by next year Mr Roberts and Mr Leighton plan to have opened a car park, visitor centre and facilities for "panning" gold.

Mr Roberts, the 44-year-old managing director of Snowdonia Leisure, says: "We hope to turn it into the top attraction of its kind in Wales — and certainly the most exciting."

Planning approval is awaited for the cable car but, says Mr Leighton, the operations director, also aged 44, experts from the Snowdonia National Park Planning Board are fully familiar with the project.

He says: "We already hold outline planning permission for a road from the hotel to the mine but we now feel that the cable car will prove better environmentally. It will be silent and allow undergrowth to develop beneath its path. It will also prove a better attraction — more exciting than, say, a minibus."

If approved, the installation of the cable car should be followed by the full opening of the mine in 1990. Then, says Mr Leighton, "By 1991 we shall be looking for 250,000 visitors a year."

By that time, the plan provides for gold-panning facilities at the mine entrance, an exhibition centre showing how gold is mined and a shop selling gold emblazoned with the Welsh dragon.

Mr Roberts, who is based in Colwyn Bay, built up a chain of frozen food centres under the name Freezrite before selling out three years ago.

He promises that £500,000 for the project will be raised by the founding directors including a 20 per cent interest held by Clogau Gold Mine plc, from whom Snowdonia Leisure acquired the mine assets. A bank is also working on a funding package.

Mr Leighton, a former director of Freezrite, recalls that when Mr Roberts asked him if he would like to get involved with a gold mine, "I thought for a moment he was crazy".

It is hoped that the project will provide about 60 jobs as guides, train drivers, and receptionists in an area which needs employment opportunities.

It would be surprising if such an unusual scheme were to secure unanimous local approval. But the two entrepreneurs claim that initial fears have been laid to rest at public meetings.

"The feeling now is that we should get on with the project and make a good job of it," says Mr Leighton.

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Going for gold: Jim Leighton of the Clogau Gold Mine Centre

BRIEFING

■ The Government wants the Common Market to give prime attention to the importance of small and growing businesses in shaping Europe's future. Lord Young of Graffham, Secretary of State for Trade and Industry, explaining the policy at a business seminar in London this week, said that among companies whose first products were now coming on to the market, some had the potential to become the multi-national giants of the next century. But, he said, they had to be free to develop, to make their own judgements of what the market needs, and not be deflected by Brussels or domestic red tape.

■ The British Production and Inventory Control Society is planning a seminar to help smaller companies make better use of computers. It will be held at High Wycombe, Buckinghamshire, on November 16. Details from Linda Godman, BPICS, 45-47 South Street, Bishops Stortford, Hertforshire CM23 3AG, tel. 0279 56695.

Changes forecast in the operation of enterprise agencies

Entrepreneurs seeking advice and other business help at the local enterprise agency are likely to find big changes soon, with some agencies becoming more specialized, the opening of more "one-stop shops" — and probably the disappearance of some agencies through mergers, *writes Derek Harris.*

This picture emerges from a report* on the future of the agencies by Business in the Community (BIC), the umbrella body for Britain's nearly 300 agencies.

Most big towns now have an agency with services that range from business information and counselling to help with finance. More than half the agencies now manage, or have access to, loan and grant funds, including those set up in cooperation with big companies such as RTZ, Shell and Lloyd's of London.

An increasing number of agencies now offer "marriage broking", matching entrepreneurial funding needs with usually local sources of equity capital. Many agencies are also involved in creating workspace which can be used as start-up units and offices.

BIC expects the agencies to face significant changes with a shift in the client base more to employed people seeking start-up help for their own business, and existing small firms looking for help in developing further.

As competition grows, expanding businesses will need to have better access to information and advice and to a wide range of advisory and technical services. More mergers between agencies, or a division of specialist activities as between agencies in a given area, are seen as likely.

Funding of agencies largely comes half from the private sector and the rest from the public sector, including local authorities as well as from government sources.

The "one-stop shops" bring under one roof not only an enterprise agency but other organizations aiming to help small businesses.

Future funding of agencies is likely to be more project-related, BIC believes. Many agencies will also need to consider charging for specific services to some clients, though free business counselling is likely to remain.

BIC is also putting pressure on government departments to use the network more as agents for government aid schemes and to support, particularly, the counselling service.

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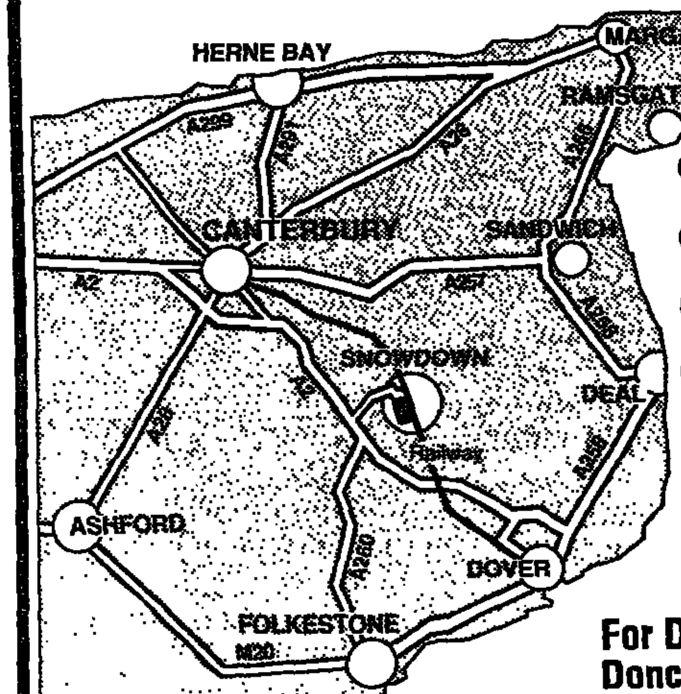

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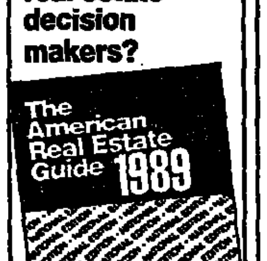
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Neath show solitary spark among dull Welsh performers

By Gerald Davies

After the end of the first month of the season only one club remains unbeaten in Wales at a time when, normally, it might have been expected to find around half a dozen. The results have been disappointing; the standard of play haphazard.

Even at this early stage in the past, however premature the judgments might have appeared, these clubs would form the strong nucleus from which would emerge the likely front-runners for the prizes at the end. There was a strength in numbers.

This is not the case. Neath, at the moment, stand alone. They are a pretty safe bet for the championship, where consistency holds the key. Over the last two years they have done well in this respect. Two years ago they did win it and, last year, they came second to Pontypool who, with Bishop and Ring, managed to lose only twice. Without their half back pair, things are rather different with the Gwent club this season.

With only 41 games — compared to 52 last year — on their fixture list, excluding the cup-round weekends, it looks as if Neath have the kind of balanced programme which can win championships.

The likes of Llangennech, Abercrave and Briton Ferry, junior clubs in the area with whom, as likely feeders of future talent, they wish to remain close, are accommodated in the middle of the week. None of these, I would guess, can be thought to hinder their progress and, with such opportunities available for their large, youngish squad of players, more likely to enhance it than not. The big guns, wisely, are loaded on the Saturdays.

They will want to win something this year. They were runners-up in the cup competition last season, too, but that is a competition which needs a different character and temperament. And with so much of the foundation having been laid in terms of playing and administration, it is the question of maturity that will be tested this coming year.

In all this, if they can keep their heads when all those around them are losing theirs, they will be the one bright spark among a majority whose clarity of vision is greatly hampered by a persistent fog.

Llanelli lost their unbeaten tag last weekend when they failed, at home, to Leinster and it is no mitigation to point out that only one of the Welsh club's nine international players was in fact playing. It is on such performances reputations are lost. But they will be with their full complement tomorrow when, as the big match of the day, they travel to Neath.

Jonathan Davies, having been on holiday in Greece this past week, will be back to face the team he destroyed in last season's cup final. This represents a brief interlude for him, as early next week along with two other Welsh-speaking members of the club — Ieuan Evans and Carwyn Davies — will fly to Patagonia for a fortnight to take part in a series of seven-a-side competitions. Ah, what it is to be young, famous and a rugby player of brilliance.

Here tomorrow: Jonathan Davies, returning briefly to Wales

MOTOR RACING

A salute to 40 years of sporting memories

By Andrew Longmore

There will be celebrations aplenty at Silverstone this weekend. J-J Lehto will be confirmed as the Lucas British formula 3 champion and either Andy Rouse or Frank Sytner will be crowned Dunlop British touring car champion. But the biggest cheer of all will be reserved for the circuit itself, 40 years old this Sunday.

The former aerodrome has come a long way in the last four decades. When the first post-war British Grand Prix was held there, in 1948, straw bales marked the course, old Army trucks, a legacy from the circuit's days as a depot, were scattered over the infield, the pit area was marked off from the track by a white line and the Italian, Luigi Villoresi, drove his Maserati to victory at an average speed of 72mph.

Some 40 years and 24 Grands Prix later, Silverstone is not just a race track but a thriving industrial estate, housing workshops and racing schools. It has a brand new press centre, impressive medical facilities and has spent lavishly to keep pace with ever increasing safety demands.

The circuit is used almost every day of the year and in 1987 Nigel Mansell lapped it at an average speed of just over 146mph.

Off the track, the main event of the weekend is a celebration dinner on Sunday evening when, whatever the results, the main toast will be "Silverstone."

NON-LEAGUE FOOTBALL

Hodge's FA Cup dream is on the line with Saltash

By Paul Newman

While two of the GM Vauxhall Conference's biggest names, Barnet and Boston United, will probably draw the best crowds in the second qualifying round of the FA Cup tomorrow, the next highest attendance could well be found at one of non-League football's less familiar outposts. Saltash United's visit to Falmouth Town will mean little to anyone east of the River Tamar, but a crowd of up to 1,000 or more is expected at Bickland Park for what amounts to a celebration of a revival in Cornish football.

Falmouth, Western League champions four times in the mid-1970s, were forced by financial problems to drop into the more locally based South-Western League five years ago and it has been only in recent seasons that Saltash and Liskeard Athletic have flown the Cornish flag with any comparable success.

The climax came last season, when Liskeard won their first Great Mills (Western) League title and Saltash, the only other Cornish club in the league, finished runners-up. Falmouth, meanwhile, have in the last three years won two South-Western League championships and reached an FA Vase quarter-final and hope to rejoin the Great Mills League next year.

Saltash, having won all seven of their league matches this season, are clear favourites to win tomorrow. FA Cup success is a particular ambition for their manager, Brian Hodge, whose previous club, Liskeard, did not enter the competition.

Hodges's departure this summer from Liskeard after 14 years to join his hometown club was highly controversial. Hodge, who had taken Liskeard from the Plymouth and District League to the top of the Great Mills League, said he felt he had achieved all he could with them. Within weeks of his resignation Saltash, Liskeard's closest rivals, had parted company with their manager, Peter Darke, and installed Hodge as his successor. "Everybody said it was a set-up, but it really wasn't," Hodge said. "The offer from Saltash came totally out of the blue."

Only a week ago Barnet (at home to Leatherhead) and Boston United (at home to Mile Oak Rovers) would probably have regarded their ties tomorrow as little more than formalities. However, they will be less confident after suffering surprising reverses at home in the last week, Barnet losing 4-1 to Macclesfield Town and 3-2 to Fisher Athletic, and Boston going down 6-0 against Runcorn.

Bath are blazing European trail

By Peter Bills

Bath are looking to their match against Stade Toulouse, confirmed for Saturday, October 29, at the Recreation Ground, as the first in a series of cross-channel fixtures.

Both Bath and Toulouse say they would like to see the introduction of a European club tournament. That may be something for the future. For the present Bath are delighted at the prospect of their first home meeting with a leading French club.

However, the notion of a tournament featuring the champions and cup winners from Britain, Ireland and France remains very much in the minds of the clubs. Neath, who are also hoping to arrange a game against Pierre Villepreux's Toulouse side, confirm their belief in such a project.

"I am all in favour of playing stronger opposition. One of our objectives is an action plan to improve the strength of our fixture list," said the Neath coach, Brian Thomas. "We are the only club side in Wales which plays a regular fixture against a French club. More should be doing it and I like the idea of a European event."

Bath approached the RFU for permission to stage a European club tournament on August Bank Holiday weekend. But the reaction was not favourable. For the moment Bath are delighted that a start is being made. "We wanted to play more European sides and are grateful to Neath for agreeing to release us from our fixture with them that day," said the Bath secretary Clive Howard.

Villepreux is another firm advocate of the idea. "You can learn by playing teams from other countries and we are very pleased to have arranged this game. We expect to welcome them back to France."

Booth ends Bradford's run

Schools rugby by Michael Stevenson

Bradford GS, unbeaten for two years, finally met their match when they were defeated 23-6 by a mature and confident **Ampleforth** side. Inspired by Booth, their England scrum half, Ampleforth won by a goal, two tries and three penalties to a goal.

The first of Booth's three penalties was followed by a try he created for Bingham. The Bradford front row struggled throughoutand, after a flurry of points following the interval, the game was clearly won and lost. Steiger scored a late try for Bradford, which Mouncy converted, but it was too little, too late.

Sherborne have got off to an impressive start, beating **Bishop Wordsworth** (46-6), **Bryanston** (34-6) and **Canford** (46-6). They have a strong pack and good halves, including the captain, Leeke, at stand-off half. They have scored 16 tries in the three games, only one being scored by the pack.

Rugby have started, as anticipated, with a flourish. They beat the Old Boys (48-0), **Lawrence Sheriff** (66-4) and **Uppingham** (9-0), wasting a number of good scoring chances in the process.

Trent have not yet been extended, beating **Stamford** (30-6), **Oundle** (29-15) and **Bromsgrove** (35-9). It was the first time that Trent had played Oundle at first XV level. They have a very mobile side and the coach, Mike Grindle, claims they have seven back-row forwards in the pack!

An away victory at **Merchant Taylors', Crosby** (10-0), was followed by another good win for **Rossall** against **Denstone** (18-0). Rossall's try scorers were the flankers, Cunningham and Gatenby and their centre, Stephenson.

Following a narrow defeat by **Ashville, Pocklington** enjoyed a good 16-3 victory in one of their most cherished fixtures, against **Queen Elizabeth GS, Wakefield**. Edwards, their stand-off half, contributed two penalties and two dropped goals and Jennings, the hooker, scored the try.

The 21st NatWest Bank schools' sevens tournament at Beckenham, Kent, on Wednesday was won for the second year in succession by **Brynteg Comprehensive School**. Having scored two tries to one in their semi-final against **Eltham College** (8-4), Brynteg were too strong for **Dartford** in an exciting and high-scoring final (24-12).

In the other semi-final, Dartford scraped past **Tiffin** (18-16). **Sevenoaks**, for whom Woods was nominated "man of the match" by Mike Harrison, had a comfortable victory over **Goffs** (22-0) for the Barry Boyden Shield in the plate final.

Fresh challenge

Rosslyn Park play London Welsh tomorrow fresh from their 13-7 Courage Clubs Championship first division victory over Moseley, with this season's newcomers Hunter, Wiles and Dear included in the side.

ICE HOCKEY

Hungarians to give Racers a tough test

Murrayfield Racers made history a year ago when they beat Slavia Sofia to become the first British club to survive a round of the Europa Cup (Norman de Mesquita writes). On Sunday, they embark on another trip into the relatively unknown when they face Ujpest Dosza in the preliminary round of this season's competition.

Five of the visitors' squad were in the Hungarian side which won the European junior championships in Edinburgh in 1984.

Racers suffered their first defeat of the season on Tuesday when they were beaten at home by Tayside Tigers in the Norwich Union Cup.

As usual, they will rely to a great extent on the experience of Chris Kelland, in defence, and that of the other two imports, Denis Paul and Louis Haman, the player-coach, up front.

TODAY'S FIXTURES

7.30 unless stated

Barclays League

Third division

Wigan v Blackpool (7.45)

Fourth division

Cambridge v Carlisle

Tranmere v Hartlepool

IRISH LEAGUE: TNT Gold Cup: Crusaders v Coleraine.

OTHER SPORT

CYCLING: Nissan international tour of Ireland.

DARTS: Ladbroke festival (Great Yarmouth).

GOLF: English open (Royal Birkdale); WPGA Guernsey open (Royal Guernsey).

SPEEDWAY: National League: Edinburgh v Stoke (7.15); Peterborough v Hackney. George Beaton Cup: Second leg: Glasgow v Berwick. Stars of Tomorrow trophy: Hackney

REAL TENNIS: World championship eliminator, first leg (Queen's Club, West Kensington).

SPORT ON TV

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Michael Seely meets Alec Stewart, trainer of Sunday's Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe favourite, Mtoto

Haunted by the memory of Arcs past

Memories of beaten Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe favourites like Park Top and Nijinsky haunt Alec Stewart as the 34-year-old Scotsman prepares Mtoto for Sunday's great race in Paris.

"I've got the most enormous respect for Kahyasi," he said. "And Diminuendo is a wonderful filly. But above all I fear the race. I fear the Arc itself."

Mtoto is favourite to earn a unique place in racing's hall of fame. No horse in history has won two Eclipse Stakes, a King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Diamond Stakes and an Arc. In fact only Ballymoss, Mill Reef and Dancing Brave have landed the treble.

Paradoxically, the five-year-old's most telling weapon, his powers of lightning acceleration, represent a possible Achilles' heel. For as with Park Top and Nijinsky and more hopefully as with Dancing Brave, Mtoto's nervous energy has to be harnessed until the last moment.

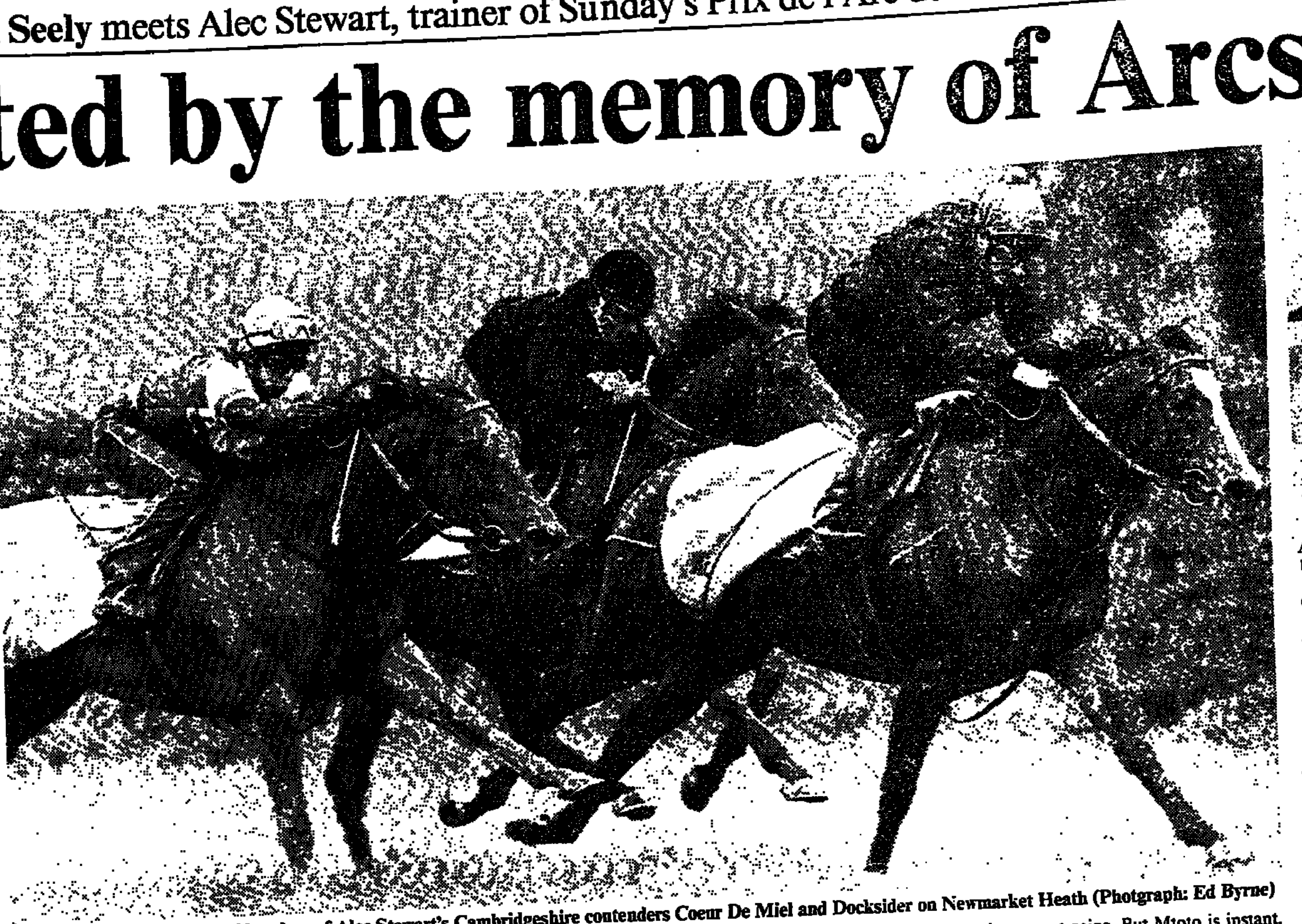
"You can't make a plan in the Arc," the trainer continued. "It's a funny race, so much on the turn. If you have to come round 20 horses, you have to go a furlong farther. I can't see Michael Roberts being able to settle down at the rear as he did in the King George."

Stewart is the new star in the top trainers' league. In the past two seasons, the exploits of Mtoto, Waajib, Daarkom and Life At The Top have lifted Clarehaven high into that elite table. Last season Stewart finished sixth and this year he is currently lying in fourth place.

No one is more acutely aware than the trainer of how much he owes his fame to Mtoto. "We've been here since the end of 1985. He spent his three-year-old, four and five-year-old days here. I simply dread the thought of life without him next season."

Last week Stewart was one of a group of four horsemen, sitting silently on their hacks in the early morning mist on the Limekilns. The others were Henry Cecil, Michael Stoute and Luca Cumani. Colleagues, but rivals; all competitors for the favours of families like the mega-rich Maktoums of Dubai, whose patronage holds the key to continuing success in the big time.

"Everyone thinks that we're constantly at each other's throats in Newmarket and that it's all back-biting and jealousy," says Stewart. "But that's not quite right. We're kindred spirits as well. When I started at Moulton Paddocks, Opale and Incredible Idea were my only older horses. Luca allowed me to work them with his horses, which was a tremendous help."



Big-race workout: Mtoto strides clear of Alec Stewart's Cambridgeshire contenders Coeur De Miel and Docksider on Newmarket Heath (Photgraph: Ed Byrne)

The approach to Clarehaven lies up a long, straight drive, almost shut in by an avenue of chestnut trees and dark pines. Our interview took place in the drawing room of the modern house, which was built by Sir David Robinson.

Wearing a green jersey and cavalry twill trousers, Stewart talked with a modest self-confidence, typical of a successful Scot from a so-called privileged background. His family own a 3,000-acre farm in Kinross-shire. The trainer is a partner in the Cowden Farming Company and his father is a director of Clarehaven Stables Limited.

Gordonstoun-educated, he spent 18 months travelling the world before attempting a conventional City life as an insurance broker. But the time spent in Canada at Lord Roderick Graham's Shady Springs Farm in Alberta had sown the seeds of his eventual vocation. "It was the first time I'd had anything to do with horses and I loved it. Above all I wanted an outdoor life."

A five-year-old apprenticeship, first with Gavin Hunter and then with Tom Jones, led to the first trainer's licence in 1983. In his first two seasons, Stewart won the Melrose Handicap at York with Incredible Idea and the Irish St Leger and other good races with Opale and Dubian.

And then came Mtoto and the transformation of a highly-talented but nervous two-year-old, who pulled too hard for his own good and who developed problems with his feet, into the sleek and powerful five-year-old machine of 1988.

The astonishing surge of power shown by Mtoto to overwhelm Unfuwain in the King George was an awesome sight to behold. "Old-timers have written to me saying they've never seen a better turn of foot. Even Dancing Brave used to take time to get going. But Mtoto is instant. Michael has only to change his hands and the horse takes off."

Roberts, the 33-year-old South African born stable jockey, whose inspired riding has been one of the sensations of 1988, says: "Alec's got this uncanny eye for a horse as to how much work he needs. He'll suddenly say to me 'I want you to let Mtoto really stretch out this morning'. And he's always right. Mtoto's spot on. He's just like he was before the King George."

With only room for 85 horses at Clarehaven, Stewart's long-term prospects of competing with the 180-plus strings of Cecil, Stoute and Cumani appear remote. But the pursuit of excellence is not easily abandoned.

Alec Stewart: fears the race itself more than the opposition Mtoto encounters

"It's where the pressure lies, but it's also where the motivation is. Look at Henry Cecil, he's been champion seven times and he never wants to get knocked off his perch. In the same way I want to go on finishing in the first half dozen."

The trainer has a reputation for being rather aggressive. "I'm a bit like a little terrier. I may appear slightly arrogant, but my mind is blind to everything except getting another good horse. But it's myself I'm really competing against."

Always the conversation, though, keeps coming back to Mtoto and Sunday's date with destiny.

The Arc and its problems almost hypnotize Stewart. "There'll be no pre-race tactical discussion this time. It will be pointless. But apart from the race itself, I fear Kahyasi a lot. He's so relaxed and nothing seems to bother him."

The trainer's fears are real, of course. The Arc traditionally favours the relaxed stayer, whose stamina can be used throughout the race.

However, Roberts, the third member of the triumvirate is quietly confident. "Mtoto's the best horse in the race. Traffic problems are the only things that worry me. It's like the M25. Sometimes you get to Heathrow in an hour and a half but the same journey can take you two hours. However, it's all up to me, it really is. I just hope I don't let everybody down."

RUGBY LEAGUE

Challenge match is main event

By Keith Macklin

The Great Britain versus Rest of the World challenge match at Headingley on October 29 is not merely an exhibition game designed to celebrate the opening of the Hall of Fame. In many respects it will be regarded as a barometer of the state of the game in this country, with success for Great Britain against the world's best proving conclusively that the victory over Australia in Sydney was no fluke.

Subsequently only one match will be played during the last weekend in October. No other fixtures will be allowed to divert attention from the Headingley game.

Maurice Lindsay, is a member of the new board of directors appointed by the Rugby League. His special brief is publicity. Lindsay, the chairman of Wigan, believes the challenge match should be a "marvellous game".

"We intend to invite the finest players from all the rugby league playing countries, and the result should be a team which will be even stronger than the Australians at their best. We will invite Wally Lewis, the Australian captain, to lead the side. Around him we will put the cream of his own international side, plus outstanding New Zealanders like Kurt Sorensen, Dean Bell, Adrian Shelford, the Iro brothers and Mark Graham. There will be at least one representative from France and Papua New Guinea."

Lindsay also points out that Great Britain will have a very strong squad. Malcolm Reilly, the coach of the Great Britain touring team to Australasia, will have the best players from that tour at his disposal, plus first choices who were not able to make the trip including Joe Lydon and Steve Hampson, plus Shaun Edwards who was injured in the first match.

HOCKEY

Serious West approach to new venture

By Joyce Whitehead

The first matches in two of the new women's territorial club leagues will be played this weekend. Sponsored by Sun Life, West are starting in great style. Midlands are as yet unsponsored.

Both territories have the same set-up, a premier league and two area divisions. West are taking the new venture seriously and hope for better results in the national clubs championship.

Neither West nor East were represented in the semi-finals last year. Sutton Coldfield, the Midlands representatives, went out in the semi-final, losing to Hightown (North) on penalties after a 3-3 draw, but South, who started an official league last season, had two clubs, Slough and Ealing, in the national semi-finals. They played each other and Ealing went on to beat Hightown in the final and become national champions.

WEST LEAGUE: Bournemouth, Clifton, East Gloucester, Exeter, Exmouth, Leominster, New Sarum, Swindon, Taunton Vale, Yate and South Gloucester, Wimborne.

MIDLANDS: Pickwick, Sherwood, Northampton, Sutton Coldfield, Leicester and Tamworth.

GOLF

Galleries seem loath to give approval to supporting cast

By Mitchell Platts
Golf Correspondent

David Ray, who captured a share of the first round lead in the inaugural English Open by compiling a two-under-par 70 on the windswept Royal Birkdale course yesterday, is very much a member of the supporting cast on the European circuit, as are Paul Curry and the Swedish golfer, Magnus Persson, who are alongside him at the top of the leader board.

Even so Ray, aged 25, had expected to extract much more from this season. He is presently 85th in the Volvo Order of Merit with official earnings of £20,486, and that without having won a single penny from any of the last 12 tournaments.

Indeed, he has suffered such a dramatic decline in fortunes, since finishing fourth in the Four Stars tournament on June 12, that three weeks ago he felt compelled to consult Mark Thomas, a former touring professional, about his swing. "It was the first golf lesson of my life," he said.

It was following that lesson that Ray elected to play at Royal Birkdale. The result was an extraordinary effort. Ray, who is suffering fron tonsilitis and may need to undergo an operation in the winter, topped his tee shot at the first with a three iron.

Card of course

Hole	Yds	Par	Hole	Yds	Par
1	450	4	10	397	4
2	419	4	11	411	4
3	411	4	12	186	3
4	205	3	13	508	5
5	348	4	14	201	3
6	492	5	15	545	5
7	156	3	16	416	4
8	460	4	17	525	5
9	416	4	18	474	4
Out	3,357	35	In	3,663	37

Total yardage: 7,020 Par: 72

He eventually salvaged his par and collected a birdie at the 6th and another at the 8th, where he struck what he considered to be a poor putt from 25 feet, only for the wind to kindly blow the ball into the hole.

In total Ray gathered five birdies and the pity was that there were few spectators on these historic Lancashire links

The absence of spectators is probably down to the fact that Severiano Ballesteros and company are not competing. Not that the EGP Sports Group, which is promoting this tournament in conjunction with European Tour Enterprises, did not attempt to lure a "name" when Europe's leading six golfers decided against playing.

Efforts were made to secure the services of players such as Lee Trevino and Tom Watson, both winners of Open Championships at Royal Birkdale, Paul Azinger, Ben Crenshaw, Hale Irwin, Jeff Sluman and Lanny Wadkins.

To do this end one place had to be kept in the field in case any one of them, or Ballesteros, turned round at the eleventh hour and declared their intention to compete.

That place eventually went to Stuart Smith, because of a piece of opportunism. Bob Wilkinson, a director of EGP, said: "He told me that he was top of the Northern Order of Merit and not a duffer. I checked with the PGA if it would be okay for him to play and they gave him the nod." Smith responded with a fine score of 73.

LEADING FIRST ROUND SCORES (GB and Ireland unless stated): 70: D Ray, P Curry, M Persson (Swe). 71: S Bennett, P Fowler (Aus). 72: B Gallacher, H Clark, A Chandler, C Moody, A Sherborne. 73: S McAllister, P Baker, C Drury (US), Kyi Hla Han (Burma), M McClean, J Bennett, B Norton (US), M Miller, P Harrison, D A Russell, D Jones, S Smith.

Course record for Douglas

Kitrina Douglas, a former British amateur champion, blazed a spectacular trail on the opening day of the James Capel Guernsey Open golf championship yesterday (John Hennessy writes).

She was round the Royal Guernsey course of 5,460 yards in 65, seven shots better than par and one better than the course record, and leads by two strokes from Peggy Conley of the United States.

Such a performance from Douglas hardly seemed in prospect when she arrived here, exhausted, on Wednesday afternoon, without having had a break in her schedule since the middle of July. The high winds then prevailing led her to remark that 82 would be a good score.

But the sun shone on the island yesterday and, in the agreeable company of Maureen Garner and Beverley New, everything fell into place for her from the very start, for she hit a 7-iron to eight feet at the first.

She turned three under par, recorded two conventional birdies at the 12th and 14th and a highly improbable one at the 398 yards 15th, into the wind. She topped a 4-wood second only 60 yards or so and repaired the damage with a driver to 10 feet.

Caroline Griffiths, a former Gloucestershire colleague of Douglas but now feeling her way in the professional ranks, achieved a laudable 70 after a broken 5-iron had caused her to drop three shots at the sixth.

LEADING SCORES (GB unless stated): 65: K Douglas. 67: P Conley (US). 68: A Nicholas, T Hammond, B New, J Brown. 69: J Arnold (NZ), M Garner, P Grice-Whittaker. 70: C Griffiths, V Marvin. 72: P Gonzalez (Col), M Burton, S Moon (US). 73: J Connachan, B Huke, J Rumsey, A Jones (Aus), H Hopkins (Aus). Other scores included: 74: D Reid. 76: L Davies, C Dibnah (Aus).

FOR THE RECORD

BASEBALL

NORTH AMERICA: National League: St Louis Cardinals 2, Pittsburgh Pirates 1; Chicago Cubs 3, Montreal Expos 1; Philadelphia Phillies 9, New York Mets 3; Atlanta Braves 4, Houston Astros 3; San Diego Padres 2, Los Angeles Dodgers 1 (16 inns); San Francisco Giants 6, Cincinnati Reds 1. American League: Baltimore Orioles 2, New York Yankees 0; Toronto Blue Jays 1, Boston Red Sox 0; Cleveland Indians 4, Detroit Tigers 2; Oakland Athletics 5, Minnesota Twins 2; Chicago White Sox 3, Texas Rangers 2; Milwaukee Brewers 4, California Angels 3.

BASKETBALL

NATWEST TROPHY: Hemel and Watford Royals 81 (McGill 20, Duncan 23); Crystal Palace 95 (Reshaw 35, Ryan 25).

BOXING

PICKETTS LOCK, Enfield: Lightweight (8 rds): Tony Borg (Cardiff) bt B F Williams (Watford), rsc 7th; (6 rds) David Postane (SA) bt Andy Morgan (Port Talbot) pts. Featherweight (6 rds): Scott Durham (Woolwich) bt Mike Close (Belfast), pts; Eugene Maloney (Bow) drew with Miguel Matthews (Swansea); (8 rds) Jaime Polo (US) bt Stanley Mathee (SA), pts. Middleweight: (8 rds). Errol Christie (Coventry) bt Joe McKenzie (Wales), rsc 3rd; Light-welterweight (8 rds): Mike Durvan (Penge) bt Juan Arroyo (Puerto Rico), pts.

CRICKET

HARARE: Tour match: Zimbabwe B 347 for 5 dec (Briant 58, James 69, Robertson 95) and 101 for 3; Young New Zealand 357 for 4 dec (Pringle 120 not out, Horne 71). Match drawn.

FOOTBALL

SWISS LEAGUE: Lugano 2, Grasshoppers 2; Lucerne 1, Aarau 0; Lausanne 2, St Gallen 1; Neuchâtel Xamax 3, Sion 1; Servette 2, Bellinzona 3; Wettingen 1, Young Boys 1.
PORTUGUESE SUPER CUP: First leg: Vitoria Guimaraes 2, Porto 0.
ITALIAN CUP: Qualifying group matches: Torino 1, AC Milan 0; Verona 4, Sambenedettese 0; Cesena 1, Lecce 1; Napoli 4, Modena 0; Pisa 1, Ancona 1, AS Roma 4, Pescara 1; Atalanta 3, Bari 1; Sampdoria 3, Monza 0; Inter Milan 3, Fiorentina 4, Udinese 0, Lazio 1; Ascoli 1, Como 1; Brescia 0, Juventus 2. Verona, Napoli, Pisa, Sampdoria, Lazio, Ascoli, Fiorentina and Cesena/Lecce qualify for quarter-finals.

GOLF

GOLF FOUNDATION SCHOOLS TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP: At Tavistock: 1, Teignmouth HS, 239; 2, St Austell, 244; 3, Saltash CS, 245. Best individual: D Turnbull (Tavistock), 74.

RACKETS

SCHOOLS MATCH: Rugby (R R Montgomerie and P H M Reckowe) bt Clifton (J M Briggs and M Whalley), 15-4, 15-3, 15-2, 15-5.

REAL TENNIS

OXFORD: The Army bt Oxford University TC, 3-2 (Army names first): Lt M Shelford (5 Innis DG) lost to D Ekserdjian, 4-6, 0-6; Maj J Park Weir (A&SH) lost to T Christie, 6-4, 6-6, 6-2; Lt Col B Aitken (RAOC) bt P Sulston, 6-2, 6-1; Lt Col P Watts (RAEC) bt M Mercer, 3-6, 6-3, 6-3; Lt Col A Drew (RGJ) bt R Boning, 6-2, 6-1.

RUGBY UNION

SCHOOLS MATCHES: Allhallows 7, King's, Taunton 0; Chendent 0, Magdalen College School, Brackley 11; Enfield GS 50, St Columba's 9; King Edward's, Nuneaton 10, North Leamington 12; King Edward's, Southampton 9, Seaford 19; Lord Williams's, Thame 6, Shiplake 0; St Dunstan's 16, Rochester Maths 17; Tavistock 13, Shebbear 8; Truro 34, Cornwall College HFE 3, Warwick 0, RGS Worcester 25; Worksop 9, Silcoates 30.

SNOOKER

DOUGLAS, Isle of Man: Matchroom home international tournament: Third round: England 9, Scotland 9, Wales 15, Isle of Man 3; N Ireland 10, Wales 8; England 13, Republic of Ireland 5.

TENNIS

SAN FRANCISCO: Men's Grand Prix tournament: First round (US unless stated): J Pugh bt P McEnroe, 6-1, 6-2; R Matuszewski bt A Kricksten, 6-3, 6-4; J McEnroe bt R Renneberg, 6-3, 6-2. Second round: P Annacone bt C Saceanu (WG), 6-3, 6-4; K Curren bt J Rive, 6-4, 6-2; M Chang bt D Goldie, 6-1, 6-4.
PALERMO: Sicilian championship: Third round: M Wilander (Swe) bt M Zillner (WG), 6-3, 6-3; K Carlsson (Swe) bt R Viver (Ec), 6-3, 4-6, 6-4; E Bengoechea (Arg) bt A Mancini (Arg), 7-5, 6-0.

CYCLING

Early exit for injured Fignon

From Peter Bryan
Galway

The longest day in the Nissan International Classic ended yesterday without Laurent Fignon and Eddy Planckaert, who pulled out before the first serious attacks had been launched.

Fignon, who had treatment on the first day for an injured knee, stopped after 11 miles, in pain from his left knee.

When the 103 survivors on the 149-mile stage from Sligo to Galway reached the feeding point at Pontoon, after 50 miles, Planckaert gave up, complainig of a severe cold. He was joined by Jannus Kuum, a member of his team, and Jean-Francois Bernard, of France. They were said to be disenchanted with the weather, which alternated between cold downpours of rain and lukewarm sunshine.

For the first 100 miles, the riders kept to a modest pace, but on the climb at Maam, Adri Van der Poel, of The Netherlands, decided it was time to test the strength of his rivals.

He won the climb and, with those close to him at the summit, decided to attack on the 50mph descent. Sean Yates kept the speed high in the hope of helping Malcolm Elliott to stay with the group to fight out the final sprint.

The descent was the turning point of the race, which moved from an average speed of 20mph to almost 40mph in the closing miles. Christophe Levainne, the race leader, missed out when the field split into three and then had a puncture.

Ten miles from the finish, Phil Anderson, of Australia, went clear of the 25-strong leading pack. He stayed ahead and won by 31 seconds to become the race leader.

RESULTS: Second stage (Sligo to Galway, 149 miles): 1, P Anderson (Aus, TVM-TNT), 5hr 37min 12sec; 2, E Vanderaerden (Bel, Panasonic) at 35sec; 3, R Golz (WG, Superconfex) same time. Race leader: P Anderson.

REAL TENNIS

Ronaldson meets his old partner Deuchar

By William Stephens

The world championship contest begins this evening at Queen's Club, where Chris Ronaldson plays Lachlan Deuchar in the first eliminator, sponsored by George Wimpey. The match is over the best of 13 sets with four being played today, up to four on Sunday morning and, if necessary, up to five sets on Tuesday.

Ronaldson, aged 38, is head professional at Hampton Court Palace and was world champion from 1981-87. Deuchar, aged 29, was Ronaldson's deputy at Hampton Court until he became head professional in Melbourne.

Deuchar is holder of the British open singles championship and won the Rank Xerox world tournament in May; however, in the Laurent Perrier Masters at Holyport last weekend he appeared subdued by the pressure of the forthcoming world championship, being tentative and defensive in losing 3-0 to Ronaldson.

The winner of this eliminator meets Graham Hyland in New York next month for the right to challenge Wayne Davies for the world title.

Welcome recognition

Behind every Olympic champion lurks a "hidden hero", usually a parent, spouse, or coach who selflessly sacrifices time and, frequently, money to ensure that their particular sports protege has the optimum chance of success (Louise Taylor writes).

In recognition of these usually unsung efforts Barclaycard, in conjunction with the Sports Aid Foundation, is offering a special award for such workers.

Anyone elgible for an award may be nominated by their own athlete, associate or relative. The winners will be chosen by a panel of high profile sporting personalites including Virginia Leng and Virginia Wade. Judging will initially be on a regional basis with the winners going forward to the national final and the prospect of a £1,000 first prize to be announced on November 29.

FOOTBALL

Television money will pay for membership scheme

By Clive White

Pleas of poverty by football will not be accepted by the Government when a national membership scheme is forced upon the sport next season. The recent lucrative television deals with ITV and BBC have, apparently, not gone unnoticed at Westminster and football will be expected to finance its introduction.

Colin Moynihan, the Minister for Sport, said yesterday:"The Government does not accept that football will not be able to pay for this scheme. The football authorities have recently had protracted negotiations with the television companies and Press reports suggest that income from television this season is likely to be in the order of £18 million.

"The question of how that money is distributed is a matter for the football authorities but pleas of poverty from the clubs will be difficult to reconcile with this sort of income from the televising of football matches."

But Graham Kelly, the chief executive designate of the Football League, warned that football might not hold on to its new found wealth for very long. Of the £60 million that comes into the game, he estimated that 25 per cent would be lost because of the difficulties of operating such a scheme.

"It is a big disincentive to the many people who attend five or six games in a season but who won't if they have to go to the trouble of obtaining an identity card and always carrying it with them," he said.

The Minister, whose address to a two-day football conference at Leicester University was read for him because he is attending the Olympic Games in Seoul, reiterated the intention of the Government to bring forward legislation to give statutory backing to the scheme in time for next season, though they would prefer it if the scheme was introduced voluntarily. He reminded those present that the Government were no longer pursuing a 100 per cent home membership scheme and that once someone had a card they could use it at any ground in the country.

"If the link between football and hooliganism cannot be broken, the costs of policing the game are going to continue to rise. Spending money now to combat hooliganism could well save money in the longer term," he said.

"It is a question of priorities. The future well-being of our national game or short term financial savings." He said that the working party, which is examining the details of the plan, would issue its report in the next two weeks.

Conversely, the biggest round of applause was given to Rogan Taylor, the chairman of the Football Supporters Association, who accused the Government of "political posturing" and of wanting to be seen to be doing something about the problem. "Such a scheme may irrevocably damage the fabric of the game," he said.

Debut for Beardsmore

Alex Ferguson, the manager of **Manchester United**, will have to include two young defenders against **Tottenham Hotspur** tomorrow because of the club's acute injury problems. Lee Sharpe, aged 17, will be playing only his second senior game while there will a debut for Russell Beardsmore, aged 20.

Beardsmore will deputize for Blackmore, the Welsh international, who sustained an ankle injury during the midweek Littlewoods Cup game against **Rotherham United**.

● A possible end to Philip Carter's reign as Football League president came a step nearer yesterday with the official notification to clubs of an extraordinary general meeting at Villa Park, on October 18. The agenda includes two resolutions calling for the removal from the management committee of Carter, the Everton chairman, and the Arsenal vice-chairman, David Dein.

● Mark Higgins, the Bury defender, yesterday joined Stoke City for a fee of £130,000, over four years after his retirement following a serious pelvic injury received while playing for Everton.

● Dick Pym, who was England's oldest international footballer, has died aged 95. He played three times in goal for his country and was on three Bolton Wanderers teams which won the FA Cup.

● Lee Chapman was back in Sheffield yesterday with his future still undecided. Chapman was hoping to become a **Nottingham Forest** player this week but any move is held up until the French club, Niort, pay the £280,000 they owe **Sheffield Wednesday** for his transfer.

● **Glentoran** boosted their confidence for next week's European Cup game with Moscow Spartak with a 5-2 win over **Larne** in the final of the Lombard Ulster Cup, Manley scoring three goals against Larne for the second time in 12 months.

● **Reading**, the holders, had only a passing interest when the draw for the first round of the Simod Cup was made yesterday. The competition is restricted to first and second division clubs o Reading, 4-1 winners against Luton at Wembley, are ineligible after being relegated to the third division.

DRAW: Charlton v Sunderland; Southampton v Stoke; Bradford v Brighton; Middlesbrough v Oldham; Millwall v Barnsley; Crystal Palace v Walsall; Chelsea v Plymouth; Derby v Bournemouth; Norwich v Swindon; Watford v Leicester; West Ham v WBA; Blackburn v Manchester City; Leeds v Shrewsbury; Oxford v Ipswich; Portsmouth v Hull; Aston Villa v Birmingham City. Ties to be played in the week commencing November 7.

Courtney in charge

George Courtney will referee the Mercantile Credit Trophy final between Arsenal and Manchester United at Villa Park on October 9.

Leeds seeking manager with staying power

By Ian Ross

Leeds United, who dismissed their manager, Billy Bremner, on Wednesday, expect to name his successor next week. Leslie Silver, the Leeds chairman, said yesterday that although an announcement was not imminent, candidates for the post would be interviewed over the next few days. "I want a manager who will be in charge at Leeds United for the next 10 years. I do not want changes every *three* years," he said.

Bremner, dismissed after three years at the helm of the second division club, insisted that there was no animosity between him and the club's directors. "The biggest problem for my successor will be the great expectations of the people of this area. The players are constantly under the microscope because of the success enjoyed under Don Revie," he said.

In a surprise move, the club's players issued a *statement* expressing their disappointment at the sacking of Bremner and pledging loyalty to whoever may succeed him.

Although it is still unclear who will be invited to become Leeds' eighth manager in 14 years, Howard Kendall, the manager of the Spanish club, Atletico Bilbao, yesterday ruled himself out of contention.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT'S RESULTS

LITTLEWOODS CUP: Second round, first leg: Derby 1, Southend 0; Hull 1, Arsenal 2; Leicester 4, Watford 1; Lincoln 1, Southampton 1; Liverpool 1, Walsall 0; Manchester City 1, Plymouth 0; Middlesbrough 0, Tranmere 0; Norwich 2, Preston 0; Nottingham Forest 6, Chester 0; Oxford 2, Bristol City 4; QPR 3, Cardiff 0; Reading 1, Bradford 1; Rotherham 0, Manchester United 1.

B AND Q SCOTTISH LEAGUE: Premier division: Celtic 3, Motherwell 1, Hearts 1, Dundee 1; St Mirren 0, Hibernian 1.

CENTRAL LEAGUE: First division: Aston Villa 1, Sheffield Wed 1; Barnsley 3, West Bromwich Albion 5; Newcastle United 2, Manchester City 2; Sheffield United 1, Coventry City 6. Second division: Notts Co 3, Mansfield Town 2; Oldham Athletic 2, Darlington 1; Port Vale 4, Doncaster Rovers 0

OVENDEN PAPERS COMBINATION: Brighton 2, Fulham 0; Swindon 1, Arsenal 2.

GM VAUXHALL CONFERENCE: Boston 0 Runcorn 6; Maidstone 1, Aylesbury 1; Welling 4, Weymouth 0; Yeovil 2, Kettering 2.

WORLD CUP: European group five: France 1, Norway 0.

INTERNATIONAL MATCH: Denmark 1, Iceland 0.

ASUNCION: *Four-nation tournament*: Uruguay 2, Ecuador 1, Paraguay 2, Chile 0.

EUROPEAN UNDER-21 TOURNAMENT (Tours): France 2, Norway 0.

EUROPEAN CUP WINNERS' CUP: First round, second leg: Beggen (Lux) 1, Mechelen (Bel) 3 (Mechelen win 8-1 on aggregate).

VAUXHALL-OPEL LEAGUE: First division: Collier Row 3, Worthing 1. Second division north: Royston 2, Witham 5. Second division south: Camberley 0, Chertsey 4.

NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE: First division: Colne Dynamoes 2, Irlam 1; Farsley Celtic 3, Eastwood Town 3, Whitley Bay 4, Harrogate 2; Winsford 2, Curzon Ashton 1.

GREAT MILLS LEAGUE: Premier division: Chard 1, Clevedon 0; Dawlish 1, Torrington 0; Minehead 3, Barnstaple 2; Ottery St Mary 2, Bath City 1.

FA YOUTH CUP: First qualifying round: Witney 1, Kettering 2; Peterborough United 1, Dunstable 1; Marlow 1, Slough 5.

FA TROPHY: First round qualifying replays: Frome 4, Cwmbran 2; Fleetwood T 2, Accrington Stanley 1 (aet); Radcliffe Borough 1, Chester-le-Street 0; Worksop 3, Workington 2.

LOMBARD ULSTER CUP: Final: Glentoran 5 Larne 2.

MIDDLESEX SENIOR CUP: Preliminary round: Feltham 2, Rayners Lane 1.

RUGBY UNION

TOSHIBA COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP: Eastern Counties 13, Hampshire 7; Kent 19, Sussex 9; Middlesex 9, Hertfordshire 12; Staffordshire 22, East Midlands 24.

CLUB MATCHES: Abertillery 27, South Wales Police 6; Bristol 29, Metropolitan Police 0; Coventry 15, Nuneaton 9; Newport 38, Cross Keys 8; Orrell 46, New Brighton 6; Swansea 13, Pontypool 26; Wasps 14, London Irish 22.

RUGBY LEAGUE

GRUNHALLE LAGER LANCASHIRE CUP: Second round: Oldham 2, Salford 18; Warrington 34, Carlisle 18; Widnes 38, Swinton 4; Wigan 36, Rochdale 4.

JOHN SMITH'S YORKSHIRE CUP: Second round: Castleford 40, York 14; Halifax 24, Hull KR 2; Leeds 15, Wakefield 10.

Opening Verse to stress Cecil's juvenile strength

By Mandarin (Michael Phillips)

Henry Cecil and Sheikh Mohammed look poised to win the Somerville Tattersall Stakes for the second year in succession at Newmarket this afternoon.

Twelve months ago it was Salse who did them proud when he strode home five lengths ahead of his nearest rival. Now, following that impressive debut on the July course five weeks ago, OPENING VERSE is napped to win the same prize and draw further attention to the strength in depth at Warren Place.

By all accounts his recent homework on Newmarket Heath with the likes of the Royal Lodge Stakes winner High Estate has been encouraging, to put it mildly.

On that debut Opening Verse had the subsequent Yarmouth winner Cottenham well beaten off in ninth place and it will come as a major shock if there is a different result this time.

As Cecil has a key line on Double Prosperity through another of his two-year-olds, Snow Bride, I will be looking to the two talented fillies, Lady Shipley and Sweeping, to chase Opening Verse home.

Like Opening Verse, Lady Shipley is also unbeaten after just one race on the July Course. However, her form took a knock when runner-up Vault finished only third at Yarmouth next time out.

After making a winning debut at Salisbury, Sweeping was then beaten by Dancing Tribute there. On Wednesday, though, Dancing Tribute was put in her place by Pass The Peace in the Cheveley Park Stakes.

Earlier in the day those who have already backed or intend backing Mtoto to win Sunday's Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe will be looking to HIBERNIAN GOLD to win the Main Reef Stakes.

For my selection was a creditable second to the current Arc favourite when they clashed at Goodwood three weeks ago. On their Jersey Stakes running, Hibernian Gold has nothing to fear from Rawnak

Later in the day ARIZELOS can put the finishing touches to a good day for Pulborough by capturing the Southfields Handicap.

With just one run under his belt — a facile win at Leicester — Arizelos must have been far from easy for the handicapper to assess and he may have erred on the side of leniency on this occasion.

Musianica's recent victories at Doncaster and Ascot have pointed to LANGTON STREET being good enough to win the final race of the Racing Post Maiden Auction Series, even though Walter Swinburn may have to put up 1lb overweight at 8st 6lb.

Mark and Harriet Smyly's filly was always holding Musianica at Leicester in July, even though there was only a neck in it at the end.

At Goodwood, it seems significant that Vincent O'Brien has decided to send FAIR JUDGMENT over from Ireland for the group three Supreme Stakes. At his best he is capable of beating Luzum and Zelphi.

A repetition of that good effort against Minster Son and Sheriff's Star on the same course in the spring would also see AL MUFTI capture the Foundation Stakes at the expense of his owner's other runner, Alwuhush.

Finally soft ground has improved considerably AIM TO PLEASE's chance of winning the Stanley Racing Handicap at Haydock where MOMTAAZ is preferred to Vanished Land for the Stanley Leisure Organisation Dream Mile.

Hills tries blinkers on Glacial Storm in Arc

By Michael Seely, Racing Correspondent

Glacial Storm, the Derby runner-up is to wear blinkers at Longchamp on Sunday as Barry Hills attempts to repeat the 1973 win of Rheingold in the Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe.

After finishing third to Kahyasi in the Irish Derby, Robert Sangster's three-year-old disappointed behind Mtoto at Ascot and then ran a lifeless race when chasing home Percy's Lass at Kempton.

"We popped him over a few poles at Manton," said Hills after winning the second division of the Westley Maiden Stakes at Newmarket for Sangster with Colchis's half-brother, Observation Post.

"Then we schooled him over hurdles, but he got an overreach, so we couldn't do it again. He's worked in blinkers and will wear them on Sunday."

Further support for Mtoto yesterday saw the favourite's price trimmed from 9-4 to 2-1 with leading bookmakers. Kahyasi is a firm 9-2 chance as the English and Irish Derby winner bids to give the Aga Khan his second victory in the Arc.

Ray Cochrane, Kahyasi's jockey, showed himself in sparkling form when bringing Pirate Army with a well-timed run to beat Jungle Pioneer impressively in the first division of the maiden.

Afterwards, discussing the big race, Cochrane said: "Having four pacemakers in the Arc is certainly going to suit Kahyasi. That's what he didn't get in the Prix Niel. I just hope he's good enough."

Pirate Army's victory was well anticipated in the market as Luca Cumani's full brother to Lear Fan started favourite at 6-4.

The day's feature race, the Godolphin Stakes, resulted in a win for Apache, who showed the utmost gameness in the hands of Jimmy Bleasdale

Eddery's big race ride has temperature

Indian Rose, Pat Eddery's mount in the Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe, is running a slight temperature but remains on course for Sunday's big race.

Trainer Jean-Marie Beguigne was able to canter the filly yesterday and both he and owner Guy de Rothschild are confident the Prix Vermeille winner will run.

Beguigne said: "She has not been held up in her preparation at all because that was completed earlier in the week."

Indian Rose, the host nation's leading hope at 7-1 fourth favourite, bruised a foot on Tuesday when completing her final serious piece of work and will be fitted with a steel plate between her foot and shoe for Sunday's race.

Despite rain in the Paris area this week, the going at Longchamp is still expected to be good. Unfuwain's price was reduced from 16-1 to 14-1 with Ladbrokes yesterday after being backed to win £50,000.

HAYDOCK PARK

Selections

By Mandarin

2.15 Kashshaf. 2.45 Bambolero. 3.15 Aim To Please. 3.45 Momtaaz. 4.15 Casbatina. 4.45 Chaplins Club.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent

2.15 Genuine Gift. 2.45 Miller's Gilt. 3.15 Joseph. 3.45 Vanished Land. 4.15 Dominion Fayre. 4.45 Music Review.

Michael Seely's nap: 4.15 CASBATINA.

Going: soft **Draw: 5f-6f, high numbers best**

2.15 STANLEY SPORTSLINE MAIDEN STAKES (3-Y-O: £2,551: 1m 2f) (14 runners)

1	-064	ANCIENT FLAME 29 B Hanbury 9-0	P Bloomfield 2
2	0	CHALIAND 11 S Harris 9-0	— 12
3	5	GENUINE GIFT 132 H Cecil 9-0	W Ryan 13
4		EMMOTIVE B McMahon 9-0	Dean McKeown 8
5	23	IN ORBIT 13 G Harwood 9-0	K Darley 9
6	2	KASHSHAF 62 H Thomson Jones 9-0	M Birch 14
7	0-	KHOREVO 364 W Jarvis 9-0	L Dettori (5) 11
11	0-0	ORCHARD STREET 171 R Hollinshead 9-0	R Lappin (5) 5
13	2	STAR NEPHEW 11 H Candy 9-0	D J Williams (5) 3
14	226	TADBIR 31 A Stewart 9-0	M Banner 4
21	0000	EVER WELCOME 52 J Dunlop 8-11	A Culhane (3) 7
22	0550	GIVEN THOUGHT 18 H Candy 8-11	C Rutter 6
30	0-00	PAMPAS DANCER 13 (B) C Wall 8-11	M Giles 10
31		PLEASURE PARTY J Toller 8-11	M Wigham 1

5-2 Kashshaf, 11-4 Genuine Gift, 4-1 In Orbit, 6-1 Star Nephew, 8-1 Tadbir, 12-1 Kings Rank, 14-1 others.

2.45 STANLEY CREDIT SELLING STAKES (3-Y-O: £1,507: 1m) (18)

1	0000	CALAHONDA BAY 15 (G) N Bycroft 9-2	D Nicholls 8
2	1304	DESERT EMPEROR 11 (B,F) N Tinkler 9-2	NON-RUNNER 11
5	6040	RIGHT PATH 4 (F) K Stone 9-2	M Birch 6
7	0000	BALIDARIUS 49 E Alston 8-11	J Fortune (7) 13
8	3200	BAMBOLERO 67 (B) P Makin 8-11	S Perks 4
9	00	BROMWICH BILL 32 L Barratt 8-11	P Burke (5) 3
10	3-00	CALL A TRUCE 127 M Camacho 8-11	M Wigham 16
11	00	COUNT BELDALE 144 P Felden 8-11	A Shoults (3) 18
13	0030	GRAND ISLAND 80 E Weymes 8-11	W Ryan 5
14	00-0	HINT OF SPRING 10 R Thompson 8-11	P Bradwell 9
15	0000	JUBILENT KING 56J S Bowring 8-11	S Wood (5) 10
16	0440	MILLER'S GILT 11 (V) M Ryan 8-11	G Duffield 7
18	0-00	PELAGIAN ZEST 165 E Alston 8-11	M Fry 14
21	0000	BANKERS AGENT 49 R Hollinshead 8-8	A Culhane (3) 17
25	6000	LESCYN 4 R Hollinshead 8-8	A Skelton (7) 2
26	0050	LUCKY CAN 80 T Fairhurst 8-8	Dean McKeown 1
32	0350	RING ME BACK 18 D McCain 8-8	L Dettori (5) 15
34	3300	T CATTY 17 N Tinkler 8-8	— 12

11-4 Desert Emperor, 7-2 Bambolero, 4-1 T Catty, 6-1 Miller's Gilt, 8-1 Right Path, 10-1 Call A Truce, 12-1 others.

3.15 LEY RACING HANDICAP (£5,392: 1m 4f) (9)

2	0514	AIM TO PLEASE 72 (D,S) R Johnson Houghton 4-9-10	K Darley 5
4	1500	GREENHILLS JOY 15 (CD,G,S) M Ryan 5-9-5	G Duffield 8
7	6500	CELTIC RING 7 (S) J Dunlop 4-9-0	M Wigham 2
16	1-30	GREEN STEPS 133 (D,S) J Glover 6-8-5	Dean McKeown 7
18	4330	JOSEPH 15 (D,S) J Toller 4-8-3	W Ryan 9
20	10/0	WESSEX 15 (D,G,S) N Tinkler 6-8-2	Kim Tinkler 6
22	0323	REGAL REFORM 14 G Moore 5-8-0	S Wood 4
25	1320	HARMONICAL 15 (S) J Watts 3-7-11	L Charnock 1
26	4022	HOPPING AROUND 15 (D,F,G,S) C Thornton 4-7-11	C Rutter 3

3-1 Celtic Ring, 11-4 Regal Reform, 9-2 Aim To Please, 5-1 Greenhills Joy, 6-1 Hopping Around, 8-1 others.

3.45 STANLEY LEISURE ORGANISATION DREAM MILE STAKES (2-Y-O: £8,701: 1m) (6)

5	31	MOMTAAZ 17 (D,F) L Cumani 9-1	L Dettori (5) 4
7	21	VANISHED LAND 52 (F) H Cecil 9-1	W Ryan 3
9	5	ELEGANT MONARCH 30 F Lee 8-12	M Birch 6
14	2	OUT OF FUNDS 55 R Hollinshead 8-12	S Perks 1
19	0	ANGELICA PARK 79 M Ryan 8-7	G Duffield 2
21		SLEEPY HEAD W Hastings-Bass 8-7	Dean McKeown 5

7-4 Vanished Land, 11-4 Momtaaz, 4-1 Out Of Funds, 6-1 Elegant, Monarch, 10-1 Angelica Park, 12-1 Sleepy Head.

4.15 STANLEY SNOOKER NURSERY HANDICAP (2-Y-O: £3,958: 6f) (18)

5	1144	BLUE BELL MUSIC 14 (CD,G,S) J Berry 9-7	J Carroll 13
14	325	WELSH SIREN 21 C Elsey 8-11	L Charnock 16
17	500	SEA DEVIL 21 M Camacho 8-10	K Fallon (3) 8
18	0041	HONEY BOY SIMBA 13 (F) E Alston 8-10 (6ex)	J Fortune (7) 4
20	0040	MON BILL 45 C Booth 8-9	K Hodgson 7
23	4223	MY DARK ROSALEEN 14 (B) J Watts 8-7	W Ryan 6
24	2060	JIVE MUSIC 6 N Bycroft 8-7	P Burke (5) 11
25	0061	BREAK LOOSE 32 (D,G) M W Easterby 8-7	— 5
26	3232	LOOK SOUTH 60 (BF) R Stubbs 8-7	Dean McKeown 10
28	1	CASBATINA 22 (D,F) J Pearce 8-6	G Duffield 18
29	030	LORD OF GYMCRAK 67 (B) M H Easterby 8-5	M Birch 12
32	3501	CHECK THE GATE 32 (V,D,G) M Brittain 8-4	M Wigham 8
33	0330	SUGAR BOND 32 J Hills 8-4	A Culhane (3) 17
35	3040	DANCING DAZA 57 (S) J Berry 8-4	K Darley 15
36	004	PRETTY PRECOCIOUS 36 F Lee 8-4	A Shoults 14
38	540	DOMINION FAYRE 55 M Tompkins 8-1	C Rutter 3
40	6025	SUNNYSIDE JOHN 22 (C,S) J H Wilson 8-0	M Fry 2
44	500	REGAL SINGER 125 D Tucker 7-7	S Wood (5) 1

5-2 Casbatina, 3-1 My Dark Rosaleen, 6-1 Blue Bell Music, Check The Gate, 8-1 Honey Boy Simba, 10-1 others.

4.45 STANLEY CASINO HANDICAP (£3,735: 5f) (17 runners)

1	0246	GREAT CHADDINGTON 23 (D,G,S) J Berry 3-9-10	A Bacon (7) 3
2	0500	LONELY STREET 90 (D,F,G,S) P Arthur 7-9-8	C Rutter 17
5	0020	CHAPLINS CLUB 7 (B,D,BF,F,G,S) D Chapman 8-9-6	K Darley 10
9	3146	DUCK FLIGHT 14 (D,G,S) J Douglas-Home 6-8-12	G Duffield 16
10	2005	SMALL FEE 15 (D,S) M Brittain 3-8-11	M Wigham 9
11	0200	CELTIC BIRD 7 (CD,F,G,S) J Balding 8-8-6	A Shoults (3) 8
13	4500	PHILIP 41 (C,D,F,G,S) G Moore 8-8-5	S Wood (5) 2
15	4211	HINARI HI FI 111 (D,F) B McMahon 3-8-4	Dean McKeown 13
16	0160	SANDITTON PALACE 60 (CD,F,G) P Felgate 5-7-13	W Ryan 6
19	2600	TAKE EFFECT 3 (B,D,BF,G) M Brittain 4-7-12	M Fry 1
20	0400	MUSIC REVIEW 20 (CD,F,G,S) M Tompkins 5-7-11	P Burke (5) 11
24	0240	SEW HIGH 24 (C,D,F,G,S) B McMahon 5-7-8	L Charnock 5
25	2400	HATAY 20 (D,G) T Bill 3-7-8	— 7
27	5656	PENDOR DANCER 10 (B,D,F,G) K Ivory 5-7-7	— 14
29	0002	GOLDEN CHARIOT 16 (B,D,S) M Brittain 3-7-7	A Munro (5) 12
30	0511	ROKER ROAR 16 (V,D,F,S) M H Easterby 4-7-7	J Birch (7) 15
33	5000	ROSIE DICKINS 6 (CD,F,S) R Hollinshead 6-7-7	C Hodgson (7) 4

7-2 Chaplins Club, 5-1 Hinari Hi Fi, 11-2 Roker Roar, 6-1 Great Chaddington, 7-1 Take Effect, 8-1 Sew High, 10-1 others.

Course specialists

TRAINERS: H Cecil, 28 winners from 58 runners, 48.3%; G Harwood, 13 from 42, 31.0%; J Toller, 5 from 17, 29.4%; M Tompkins, 6 from 22, 27.3%; B Hanbury, 8 from 31, 25.8%; L Cumani, 7 from 29, 24.1%.

JOCKEYS: A Munro, winners 3 from 16 rides, 18.8%; W Ryan, 15 from 94, 16.0%; J Carroll, 7 from 44, 15.9%; G Duffield, 11 from 85, 12.9%; A Shoults, 3 from 29, 10.3%. (Only qualifiers).

Newmarket results

Going: good

1.30 (7f) 1. PIRATE ARMY (R Cochrane, 6-4 fav); 2. Jungle Pioneer (W Ryan, 4-1); 3. Myfor (M Hills, 8-1). ALSO RAN: 10 Alleged Account (4th), 14 Karraar, 20 Night Fighter, 25 Al Skeet, Nehry, Tremeirchion, 33 Alphabel, Binder, Old Vic (6th), Pandy, Sayyure, 50 Bonnie Bonnie, 100 Clever Claude (5th), Jonjo's Son, Lombard Lad, Norfolk Thatch, Scotch Double, Sea Buck, Vuchterbacher, Ghassanah, Hereshers, Pelota, Switched On. 26 ran. 1½l, 4l, 2½l, 2½l, hd. L Cumani at Newmarket. Tote: £2.30; £1.40, £1.70, £2.70. DF: £3.30. CSF: £7.77. 1min 25.09sec.

2.0 (7f) 1. BALIGAY (M Hills, 10-1); 2. Jole De Rose (A Riding, 16-1); 3. Kremlin Guard (B Raymond, 16-1). ALSO RAN 11-2 fav Red Ballad, 8 Realism, 10 Inspired Love, 11 Native Romance, 12 Classy Turn, Sno Problem, 14 Little Douglas, 16 Final Lot, Nafphon, 20 Bold Try (6th), Dancing Monarch, Jack Boy, Lucky Straw, Snake Eye, Straw Castle (4th), Twiller, Rumrae, 25 Batchworth Dancer, Belvedere Court, 33 Priestgate, Sayyat's Lad, Clare's Delight (5th), Vickenda, Summer Eve, Zareeta. 28 ran. NR: Praire Sister. 2½l, 1½l, hd, ½l, ½l. B Hills at Manton. Tote: £11.60; £3.20, £13.80, £14.30. DF: £527.50. CSF: £170.04. 1min 24.61 sec.

2.35 (1m 4f) 1. APACHE (J Bleasdale, 6-1); 2. Par Quod (B Raymond, 5-1); 3. Nayrizi (R Cochrane, 6-1). ALSO RAN 3 fav Asl (6th), 9-2 Timefighter, 13-2 Arden, 16 Maksud (4th), Quexioss, 66 Beau Ideal (5th). 9 ran. 1l, 4l. C Thornton at Middleham. Tote: £5.70; £2.00, £1.70, £1.90. DF: £11.60. CSF: £32.98. 2min 31.24sec.

3.5 (5f) 1, WHERE'S THE MONEY (Pat Eddery, 6-1); 2, Hong Kong Girl (J Carroll, 7-1); 3. Pastoral Jem (J Reid, 16-1). ALSO RAN: 7-2 fav Dubrovnik, 8 Hinari Disk Deck, Mafaza (5th), Admiralty Way, 9 Celestial Heights (4th), Dancing Blade, 16 Iron King (6th), Miss Rossetti, 20 Gratclo, Petorino, 33 The East Anglian. 14 ran. 1½l, nk, nk, 1l, nk. M Fetherstone-Godley at East Ilsley. Tote: £6.90; £2.50, £2.30, £4.90. DF: £12.70. CSF: £48.28. Tricast: £607.75. 59.74secs.

3.40 (7f) 1. CHADENSHE (L Dettori, 12-1); 2. Annaceramic (Dean McKeown, 14-1); 3. Penultimation (G Starkey, 11-1); 4. Dramatic Event (T Ives, 20-1). ALSO RAN: 11-4 fav Sunshine Coast, 12 Marbella Silks, Precious Platinum (5th), 14 Blakes Son, Sulaymi, Winking Winner, 16 Hemline, Isla Bridge, Lordship, Slip And Slick, 20 Aptitude, Rising Dexy, 25 Tommy Daly, Fairfield Lad, Prince Of The Lake (6th). 19 ran. NR: Knisheld, Viwienda. 3l, hd, ½l, sh hd, nk. W Jarvis at Newmarket. Tote: £15.20; £3.20, £3.90, £2.70, £4.40. DF: £250.70. CSF: £162.56. Tricast: £1,735.64. 1min 25.15sec.

4.10 (7f) 1. OBSERVATION POST (M Hills, 11-1); 2. Two Timing (Pat Eddery, 11-2); 3. Batshoof (M Roberts, 7-4 fav). ALSO RAN: 8 Dolpour (4th), 9 Malamute Saloon (5th), 16 Grand Blush (6th), Jehol, 20 Barish, Society Guest, So Gifted, Song Guest, Tarsho, 25 Alfaroad, 33 Ardour, Asquith, Reche, Roggan Hall, Victory Plan, Water Sned, 50 Eladham, Favourite King Rada, Moon Tiger, Island Adventure, Keep Your Word, Ruby Shoes. 25 ran. nk, 1l, 4l, 2l, sh hd. B Hills at Manton. Tote: £19.20; £3.70, £2.80, £1.40. DF: £38.10. CSF: £74.54. 1min 26.02sec.

Jackpot: not won. (Pool: £3,579.10 carried forward to Newmarket today)

Placepot: £2,499.70.

Taunton

Going: firm

2.15 (2m 1f hdle) 1. Brightner (A Jones, 16-1); 2. Bemsa Ryder (1-3 fav), 3. Saunders Lass (6-1). 7 ran. NR: One To Note. 6l, 2l. Mrs J Retter. Tote: £18.60; £4.50, £1.40. DF: £6.40. CSF: £20.92

2.45 (2m 1f hdle) 1, Acere (N Coleman, 5-1), 2. Borvacall (3-1); 3. Bee-Kay-Ess (10-1). Swing Era 85-40 fav. 8 ran. NR: Cedar Run, Charlou's Choice, Just Enchanting. 6l, ¾l. W Price. Tote: £5.90; £1.60, £1.50, £2.40. DF: £15.20. CSF: £19.46. Bought in 1,800gns.

3.20 (3m ch) 1. Bolt Hole (B Wright, 4-6 fav), 2. Beera Quest (6-1); 3, Grey Tarquin (7-1). 5 ran. NR: Mister Christain. 4l, 3l. P Hayward. Tote: £1.80; £1.60, £1.90. DF: £3.30. CSF: £5.02.

3.50 (2m 1f hdle) 1. Boscean Chieftain (L Harvey, 8-1); 2. Courtlands Girl (9-2); 3, Dick's Folly (10-11 fav). 8 ran. ½l, 2½l. Tote: £7.40; £1.60, £1.30, £1.70. DF: £19.60. CSF: £41.62. Tricast: £58.10.

Placepot: £6.00.

● Last two races abandoned

● Taunton's first meeting of the season was abandoned after four races yesterday because of the slippery state of the course. The stewards had inspected the track after the first race but decided at that stage to let the meeting continue.

● An inquest at St Neots, Cambridgeshire, yesterday recorded a verdict of accidental death on jockey Vivian Kennedy who died following a fall at Huntingdon on August 31.

Blinkered first time

NEWMARKET: 1.30 Jutland Hero, Tubs Indespensable. 3.10 Double Prosperity. 3.40 Box Star. 4.10 Pipsted. HAYDOCK: 2.15 Pampas Dancer. 4.15 My Dark Rosaleen, Lord Of Gymcrak.

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NEWMARKET

Selections

By Mandarin

1.30 Drama Queen.
2.00 School Concert.
2.35 Hibernian Gold.
3.10 OPENING VERSE (nap).
3.40 Langton Street.
4.10 Arizelos.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent

1.30 Anna May Wong.
2.00 School Concert.
2.35 Validate.
3.10 OPENING VERSE (nap)
3.40 Box Star.
4.10 High Tension.

Michael Seely's selection: 2.00 School Concert.

Going: good **Draw: no advantage**

1.30 BOSCAWEN SELLING STAKES (2-Y-O: £4,260: 1m) (29 runners)

103	(26)	333043	ANNA MAY WONG 32 (G) (A Bailey) A Bailey 8-11	—	92
104	(1)	00	BLAKESWARE GOLD 7 (R Kalman) M Tompkins 8-11	A Mackay	88
106	(9)	6	BY CHOICE 17 (H Linney) R Williams 8-11	T Ives	85
107	(25)	01	CASSIBELLA 20 (B,G) (Mrs N Kanis) P Makin 8-11	T Sprake (7)	89
108	(20)	0	CASTER BRAY 17 (A Piller) P Haslam 8-11	R McGhin	—
109	(10)	000	CHART CROSS 22 (M Poole) N Callaghan 8-11	—	—
111	(27)	00	DESERT DANCER 27 (R Patel) R Hoad 8-11	G Baxter	83
112	(28)	00	EL-PAYASO 16 (M Jones) Pat Mitchell 8-11	R Price (7)	—
113	(3)	000	GENERAL PICTON 3 (G Knowles) M Johnston 8-11	—	—
115	(2)	00	IRISH SKATER 25 (M George) M Tompkins 8-11	M Hills	—
117	(13)	0000	JUST GREAT 81 (T Jennings) D Thom 8-11	B Crossley	—
118	(12)	500	JUTLAND HERO 43 (B) (A Anderson) G Pritchard-Gordon 8-11	W R Swinburn	89
119	(4)	055002	KING TOH-TOH 3 (T Mallu) N Callaghan 8-11	—	90
120	(21)		LOADSAMONEY (M Bolingbroke) D Murray-Smith 8-11	R Wernham	—
121	(23)	0000	MACAQUE 8 (G Trosler) M Johnston 8-11	J Lowe	—
123	(29)		NORTH DOWN BOY (T Adams) J Jenkins 8-11	—	—
124	(22)	00	PRINCE SOBUR 32 (J Batlie) M Blanshard 8-11	D McKay	—
130	(6)	040300	SECRET DREAMER 10 (B) (G Milne) P Haslam 8-11	N Day	78
131	(19)	04	SELDOM IN 7 (Mrs V Craggs) J Wharton 8-11	A Proud	—
132	(24)	0006	SITUATION 65 (Mrs F Durr) F Durr 8-11	J Swift (7)	—
133	(18)	U0055	SONAR 16 (Mrs D Willett) Pat Mitchell 8-11	M Roberts	84
136	(8)	400	TUBS INDISPENSABLE 32 (B) (P Fahey) P Cole 8-11	T Quinn	96
137	(15)	0	VISUAL STAR 16 (Mrs H Mills) M Brittain 8-11	A Munro (5)	—
139	(17)	03	WHYBROWS 8 (Mrs F Durr) F Durr 8-11	G Starkey	86
140	(7)	500	CITY TO CITY 59 (M Sharkey) P Feilden 8-6	W Carson	—
141	(16)	53	DRAMA QUEEN 65 (R Jones) A Lee 8-6	B Raymond	84
142	(5)	4433	EASTER GLORY 58 (C Buckle) A Lee 8-6	J Quinn (5)	95
143	(11)	650	JOHN'S DELIGHT 45 (J Bailey) A Ingham 8-6	G Bardwell (3)	90
145	(14)	05005	MISS MOODY 8 (J Ashby) J Wharton 8-6	T Quinn	● 99

BETTING: 3-1 Miss Moody, 5-1 Whybrows, 6-1 King Toh-Toh, 8-1 Blakesware Gold, Cassibella, 10-1 Jutland Hero, 12-1 Desert Dancer, 16-1 others.

1987: DEALERS DELIGHT 9-2 M Roberts (6-1) R Boss 16 ran

FORM WHYBROWS was heavily supported on his debut when 7th of 30 behind Les Mains Douces in a Redcar (1m) auction maiden. On his latest start he was slowly into his stride when finishing about 7l 3rd to Jalmusique at Beverley (7f 100yds), with MISS MOODY (5lb better off) just over ½l 5th and MACAQUE (2lb worse off) back in 9th. MISS MELODY should reverse the placings, however WHYBROWS appears to be open to more improvement.

EASTER GLORY finished 4½l 3rd behind Wild Abandon at Newmarket (6f) on his penultimate start, with CASSIBELLA (1lb better off) not in the first 13.

CASSIBELLA has since won a Chepstow (7f) seller and may reverse the placings over today's longer trip.

DRAMA QUEEN ran on well after not too clear a run 2f out when 2½l 3rd of 12 behind Gee Double You at Pontefract (6f) last time. Attempts today's trip for the first time but gave the impression that it would suit.

Selection: WHYBROWS

2.0 BOADICEA FILLIES HANDICAP (3 & 4-Y-O: £6,846: 6f) (18 runners) C 4

202	(17)	5-32012	MOON DROP 61 (C,D,F,G) (Mohamed Suhail) B Hanbury 3-9-10	B Raymond	90
204	(2)	524412	SEA SAGA 15 (F) (Mrs A Chapman) L Cumani 3-9-5	W R Swinburn	89
205	(3)	451003	BREAKAWAY 14 (B,F,G,S) (Mrs P Yong) J Etherington 3-9-0	J Lowe	94
208	(6)	611531	SCHOOL CONCERT 17 (D,F,G) (Cheveley Park Stud) W Haggas 3-8-12	M Hills	91
210	(4)	036105	INDIAN JUBILEE 57 (D,BF,F,G,S) (J Horgan) R Hannon 4-8-11	T Ives	90
214	(8)	056304	QUEEN'S PIPER 17 (G) (Lord Fairhaven) John FitzGerald 3-8-8	G Starkey	87
215	(5)	002120	SISTER CHABRIAS 17 (V,D,F) (P Dolan) M Haynes 3-8-7	M Roberts	90
216	(10)	421000	ICEFERN 20 (D,G,S) (P Goulandris) P Walwyn 3-8-7	P Cook	98
218	(7)	030500	LATE MATINEE 34 (D,S) (Mrs J Bethell) J Bethell 3-8-5	W Carson	91
219	(16)	1050-66	LOVE BALLAD 163 (F) (Lord Matthews) I Matthews 3-8-4	N Day	80
221	(12)	10-2400	FAVOURITE GIRL 10 (S) (H Mould) H Candy 3-8-2	J Carter (5)	84
222	(13)	6-04140	SYMI 66 (D,F,G) (Mrs H Cambanis) John FitzGerald 3-8-2	R Fox	90
223	(9)	000056	SONILLA 9 (D,F,S) (J Law) R Holder 3-8-2	A Proud	92
224	(18)	000040	SUPREME ROSE 14 (D,F,S) (E Badger) W Musson 4-8-1	A Mackay	97
225	(1)	431301	SCOTCH IMP 3 (D,F,G,S) (Tony Broadley) D Chapman 4-8-3 (5ex)	T Quinn	● 99
226	(11)	501000	BATCHWORTH DANCER 28 (D,F,S) (Mrs D Price) M Brittain 3-7-7	A Munro (5)	91
227	(14)	520036	VANISHING SPIRIT 15 (B) (A Brett) M Usher 3-7-7	G Bardwell (3)	88
229	(15)	0-50	TREASUREBOUND 20 (Mrs D Price) C Holmes 4-7-7	N Carlisle	76

Long handicap: Batchworth Dancer 7-6, Vanishing Spirit 7-1, Treasurebound 6-6.

BETTING: 7-2 School Concert, 4-1 Late Matinee, 5-1 Breakaway, 8-1 Sea Saga, 10-1 Scotch Imp, 12-1 Sister Chabrais, Moon Drop, 14-1 Indian Jubilee, 16-1 others.

1987: CLEAR HER STAGE 3-9-4 M Roberts (10-1) J Sutcliffe 20 ran

FORM SCOTCH IMP returned to winning form when beating Prospect Place a short head at Hamilton (6f) last time. She had previously won handicaps at Ayr (7f), Carlisle (6f) and Ripon (6f).

SCHOOL CONCERT has won 3 times at Yarmouth over today's trip, the latest when beating Ihtithar 4l with QUEEN'S PIPER about ½l 4th and SISTER CHABBRIAS 9th. They both meet her on 10lb better terms. SHOOL CONCERT also holds ICEFERN, SYMI and VANISHING SPIRIT on earlier form.

LATE MATINEE won her final race as a juvenile but has failed to get off the mark in 6 attempts this season. She put up her best effort when 5th of 18 behind Proud And Keen at Ascot (5f) with MOON DROP (same terms) 11th and SONILLA (5lb better off) 16th.

SEA SAGA won a 7f maiden at Epsom on her penultimate start and finished a creditable 2nd of 4 behind Cielamour at Yarmouth (7f) last time.

Selection: SCOTCH IMP

2.35 MAIN REEF STAKES (3-Y-O colts and fillies: £7,908: 1m 2f) (7 runners) C 4

303	(7)	145020	RAWNAK 13 (C,G) (Hamdan Al-Maktoum) P Walwyn 9-1	P Cook	81
306	(1)	312112	HIBERNIAN GOLD 21 (D,F,S) (C Petyt) G Harwood 8-12	G Starkey	● 99
310	(4)	211020	MAWZOON 6 (D,F) (Sheikh Ahmed Al Maktoum) J Dunlop 8-8	T Ives	88
313	(3)	120301	VALIDATE 6 (B,D,F,G) (Sheikh Mohammed) C Brittain 8-8	M Roberts	93
314	(6)	1632-52	KNOWN CHARTER 9 (G) (R Barnett) H Candy 8-5	B Raymond	75
315	(2)	13	LOVERS TRYST 9 (D,BF,F) (Lady Herries) Lady Herries 8-5	—	70
316	(5)	2-601	NEMESIA 21 (D,F) (The Dowager Lady Beaverbrook) N Graham 8-5	W Carson	75

BETTING: Evens Hibernian Gold, 5-2 Validate, 5-1 Mawzoon, 8-1 Nemesia, 12-1 Known Charter, 14-1 Lovers Tryst, Rawnak.

1987: LOCKTON 3-9-4 M Hills (2-1) J Hindley 6 ran

FORM HIBERIAN GOLD lost nothing in defeat when beaten 2½l by the Mtoto, with Love the Groom 7l back in 3rd, in the Group III Select Stakes at Goodwood (1m 2f) and may take all the beating. He had previously been successful at Chepstow (1m) and Windsor (1m 2f 22yd) twice.

VALIDATE takes a step-up in class after winning a minor event at Redcar (1m 2f), but he comes from a stable that has sprung the odd surprise in the past and cannot be discounted.

LOVERS TRYST made promising debut when beating the multiple winner Casey by a head in a maiden event at Bath (1m 2f 50yd). However, he could only run on at one-pace when finishing 14½l 3rd behind Oganza at Sandown (1m 2f) last time, with KNOWN CHARTER (same terms) 2½l ahead in 2nd.

NAMESIA won a minor event at Doncaster (1m 2f 50yds) last time, but would need to improve to take a hand, while MAWZOON and RAWNAK have run below form recently.

Selection: HIBERIAN GOLD

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103 (12) 0-0432 GOOD TIMES 74 (CD,BF,F,G,S) (Mrs D Robinson) B Hall 9-10-0 .... B West (4) 88

Racecard number. Draw in brackets. Six-figure form (F — fell. P — pulled up. U — unseated rider. B — brought down. S — slipped up. R — refused. D — disqualified). Horse's name. Days since last outing: J if jumps, F if flat. (B — blinkers. V — visor. H — hood. E — Eyeshield. C — course winner. D — distance winner. CD — course and distance winner. BF — beaten favourite in latest race). Going on which horse has won (F — firm, good to firm, hard. G — good S — soft, good to soft, heavy). Owner in brackets. Trainer. Age and weight. Rider plus any allowance. The Times Private Handicapper's rating.

3.10 SOMERVILLE TATTERSALL STAKES (Listed race: 2-Y-O: £10,502: 7f) (8 runners) C 4

401	(2)	21132	DOUBLE PROSPERITY 34 (B,D,F,G) (Mrs P Yong) M Jarvis 9-1	B Raymond	● 99
402	(6)	1	OPENING VERSE 34 (C,G) (Sheikh Mohammed) H Cecil 9-1	M Roberts	97
405	(4)	34201	COTTENHAM 17 (D,F) (Mrs J Hislop) C Brittain 8-12	T Ives	88
408	(5)	120110	NIGHTSTALKER 10 (D,F) (Crescent UU, Ltd) R Smyth 8-12	T Quinn	89
409	(3)	01	PRECIOUS BOY 122 (F) (Lord Matthews) I Matthews 8-12	N Day	83
412	(1)	1	LADY SHIPLEY 35 (CD,G) (Snailwell Stud) M Stoute 8-10	W R Swinburn	89
413	(8)		BEQUEST (G Leigh) G Harwood 8-7	G Starkey	—
418	(7)	12	SWEEPING 22 (F) (Mrs D Wigan) J Tree 8-7	W Carson	98

BETTING: 4-7 Opening Verse, 4-1 Lady Shipley, 11-2 Sweeping, 8-1 Double Prosperity, 14-1 Bequest, 16-1 others.

1987: SALSE 9-1 S Cauthen (1-5 fav) H Cecil 6 ran

FORM OPENING VERSE, was impressive when winning here (6f) on his racecourse debut, beating Al Najah by 2½l. COTTENHAM (6lb better off) just under 6l away in 9th, that day suggested more improvement was to come.

LADY SHIPLEY accounted for a very well-bred field of juveniles when winning a 29 runner maiden event at Newmarket (7f) by ¾l from Vault and it would be no surprise to see this filly go very close.

SWEEPING, a length 2nd to Wednesday's Cheveley Park runner up Dancing Tribute last time, had earlier impressed when accounting for Ambuscade by 1½l at Salisbury (6f) on her racecourse debut.

DOUBLE PROSPERITY and NIGHTSTALKER have been running creditably in nurseries, the former putting up a useful performance to run Snow Bride to 2½l at Newmarket 91m).

PRECIOUS BOY ran on well to land a Redcar (6f) maiden by 2l from Divine Guest (9-0).

BEQUEST, by Sharpen Up out of Quest, winner over middle distances is worth noting in the market.

Selection: OPENING VERSE

3.40 RACING POST MAIDEN AUCTION SERIES NURSERY HANDICAP (Final: 2-Y-O: £8,233: 7f) (22 runners) C 4

501	(10)	221104	GOOD PARTNERS 32 (F,S) (C Garrad) M Ryan 9-7	J Ryan (5)	● 99
502	(12)	431433	GAZETTALONG 13 (D,BF,F) (B'pool Gazette) M Tompkins 8-11	T Ives	93
503	(6)	513500	BELFORT PRINCESS 7 (F) (G Gill) S Norton 8-10	J Lowe	86
504	(2)	62533	ANGELS KISS 27 (D Whitel Miss S Hall 8-9	M Hills	92
505	(7)	063	BOX STAR 36 (B) (D Barne) A Stewart 8-7	M Roberts	94
506	(9)	003113	TAYLOR'S REALM 25 (D,BF,F) (Taylors Ltd) H Collingridge 8-7	M Rimmer	91
507	(17)	31	LANGTON STREET 81 (G) (Beckett and Graham) M Smyly 8-5	W R Swinburn	90
509	(19)	351635	BESCABY BOY 52 (B,F) (M Phelan) J Wharton 8-2	—	95
511	(13)	050	SAMOAAN CHARGER 17 (R Wasey) R Williams 8-0	E Johnson	88
512	(15)	220406	ROKER ROYALE 24 (Mrs S Murray) M H Easterby 8-0	J Bleasdale	96
513	(5)	620040	TALONS TALE 8 (B) (Talon Construction) R Hannon 7-13	W Carson	95
514	(4)	4540	NIGHT GIFT 42 (G Thomas) J Cosgrave 7-13	M L Thomas	80
515	(20)	000122	MISS POKEY 22 (B,G) (R Williams) R Holder 7-12	A Proud	96
516	(3)	032544	BETTER NOW 13 (M O'Horan) J Etherington 7-12	M Wood	96
517	(22)	44502	IRISH DITTY 41 (G Pritchard-Gordon) R Smyth 7-11	R Fox	83
518	(1)	002402	REGAL VINE 17 (Mrs C Geraghty) Miss S Hall 7-7	N Carlisle	89
519	(18)	060	GREAT BIRCHAM 31 (R Hipkin) W Musson 7-7	A Mackay	85
520	(16)	03060	DI BRAVURA 14 (A Lansley) W Wightman 7-7	Dale Gibson (5)	91
521	(21)	040	MUSICAL EXPRESS 67 (C Turpin) D Arbuthnot 7-7	J Quinn (5)	94
522	(11)	354422	ANNABELLE ROYALE 10 (I Fanni) Mrs N Macauley 7-7	R Street	89
523	(14)	0000	SKY SINGER 37 (J Wilson) G Pritchard-Gordon 7-7	G Bardwell (3)	86
524	(8)	6600	VANTIFANTAY 32 (N Jackson) H O'Neill 7-7	Dana Mellor	80

Long handicap: Regal Vine 7-6, Great Bircham 7-6, Di Bravura 7-6, Musical Express 7-5, Annabelle Royale 7-3, Sky Singer 7-1, Vantifantay.

BETTING: 5-2 Taylor's Realm, 9-2 Good Partners, 6-1 Angels Kiss, 8-1 Langton Street, 10-1 Box Star, 12-1 Better Now, Gazettalong, 14-1 Irish Ditty, Regal Vine, 16-1 others.

1987: NO CORRESPONDING RACE

FORM BOX STAR, is well weighted, he stayed on nicely to finish a 2l 3rd to Heavely Note at Beverley (7f 110yd) and should confirm with SAMOAAN CHARGER (7lb better off) who finished 6½l away in 5th.

GOOD PARTNERS has been running creditably in better company than this and the form of his 7½l 4th to Wonder Dancer in a Listed event at Ripon (6f) last time is quite useful.

ANGELS KISS met plenty of difficulty in running when just over 2l 3rd to Melody Thirsk (7f) last time out and can be expected to improve on that effort.

LANGTON STREET is a danger to all if reproducing his victory in a similar event to this at Leicester (6f) where he stayed on well to account for Musianica by a neck with IRISH DITTY (4lb better off) 3l 5th. MISS POKEY (same terms) 7th, and BOX STAR (8lb better off) and ANNABELLE ROYALE (13lb better off) unplaced.

Selection: BOX STAR

4.10 SOUTHFIELDS HANDICAP (£6,623: 1m 4f) (12 runners) C 4

601	(7)	13-4260	PROFESSIONAL GIRL 55 (D,S) (Mrs M Niarchos) J Tree 4-9-10	W Carson	98
604	(6)	31-0515	HIGH TENSION 21 (D,F,G,S) (Lord Derby) G Pritchard-Gordon 6-9-2	W R Swinburn	97
606	(9)	60-0200	PIPSTED 35 (B,D,G,S) (Exors of the late) G Wragg 4-9-1	M Hills	92
608	(1)	052316	BEN ADHEM 27 (C,D,G,S) (G Kidd) H Candy 6-8-12	J Fanning (7)	98
611	(10)	1	ARIZELOS 59 (D,G) (A Christodoulou) G Harwood 3-8-12	G Starkey	90
612	(8)	6-13303	NIRAN 20 (F) (Hamdan Al-Maktoum) A Stewart 3-8-11	M Roberts	95
613	(11)	112410-	PLANET ASH 380 (CD,G,S) (T Ramsden) A Bailey 5-8-10	J Quinn (5)	87
614	(3)	012454	GULFLAND 47 (D,F,G,S) (G P-Gordon) G Pritchard-Gordon 7-8-9	G Bardwell (3)	● 99
617	(12)	236212	BUZZBOMB 13 (D,F,G) (T Holland-Martin) R Johnson Houghton 3-8-7	T Quinn	96
619	(4)	162010	MAGSOOD 15 (B,D,F) (Sheikh Ahmed Al Maktoum) M Jarvis 3-8-4	B Raymond	93
620	(5)	024-605	ARMY OF STARS 20 (W Gredley) C Brittain 3-8-0	J Lowe	94
622	(2)	004353	BUSH HILL 13 (G) (Lord Matthews) I Matthews 3-7-13	N Carlisle	93

BETTING: 9-4 Professional Girl, 100-30 High Tension, 5-1 Gulfland, 13-2 Arizelos, 10-1 Ben Adhem, 12-1 Niran, Planet Ash, 14-1 others.

1987: FOUR STAR THRUST 5-7-12 J Lowe (20-1) R Whitaker 12 ran

FORM NIRAN has shaped as though a stiffer test of stamina would suit and tackles this trip for the first time. He caught the eye when running on really well to take 3rd place, beaten only 3½l after coming from a long way off the pace, at Doncaster (1m 2f 50yd) and should be well suited by the distance.

HIGH TENSION, never placed to challenge at Doncaster (1m 4f) last time, had earlier been driven out to beat Monetary Fund at Goodwood (1m 4f).

ARIZELOS made a most pleasing debut when easily accounting for Beauchamp Cactus by 3l at Leicester (1m4f) and can be expected to improve.

BUZZBOMB ran a fine race to finish 4l 2nd to Green Adventure at Newbury (1m 5f 60yd). She will not be inconvenienced by this return to 1m 4l.

MAGSOOD'S last of 19 last time was too bad to be true and is best judged on a ¾l beating of Henbane at Beverley (1m 4f).

Selection: NIRAN (nap)

Course specialists

TRAINERS	Winners	Runners	Per cent
H Cecil	58	228	25.4
L Cumani	36	193	18.7
H Candy	13	75	17.3
M Stoute	36	214	16.8
G Harwood	24	166	14.5
R Smyth	3	25.	12.0

JOCKEYS	Winners	Rides	Per cent
W R Swinburn	37	258	14.3
W Carson	44	346	12.7
M Roberts	18	157	11.5
G Starkey	23	209	11.0
B Raymond	20	185	10.8
G Bardwell	8	75	10.7

(Not including yesterday's results)

Sadlers Wells stock in demand

Three bay colts by Prince Of Dance's sire, Sadlers Wells, livened up proceedings at the end of the second day of the Highflyer Yearling Sales at Newmarket on Wednesday.

The pick of the trio was the first foal of 1,000 Guineas third Bella Colora, who was bought for 520,000 guineas by Sheikh Mohammed after a protracted duel with Vincent O'Brien.

Earlier, Hugo Lascelles, of the British Bloodstock Agency, outbid Tommy Stack at 330,000gns to acquire a Sadlers Wells colt out of Dahlia's sister, Very Charming. He was acting for an undisclosed American owner who will put the yearling in training in England.

A half-brother to Shady Heights, also by Sadlers Wells, was knocked down to Vincent O'Brien at 260,000gns.

Sharing the day's top price of 520,000gns was a first crop son of 1985 Arc winner Rainbow Quest. The colt, whose dam Embryo has also produced the Italian Oaks winner Ivor's Image, was bought by Lady Beaverbrook.

GOODWOOD

Selections

By Mandarin

2.00 Final Sound.
2.30 Legendary Dancer.
3.00 Fair Judgment.
3.30 Glencroft.
4.00 Al Mufti.
4.35 Bell Toll.
5.10 Catkin.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent

2.00 Final Sound.
2.30 Oxalis.
3.00 Luzum.
3.30 Absolution.
4.00 Al Mufti.
4.35 Bell Toll.
5.10 Alkariyh.

Michael Seely's selection: 3.00 Zelphi.
The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 5.10 ALKARIYH.

Going: good **Draw: 5f-6f, high numbers best**

2.0 HARVEST SELLING STAKES (3-Y-O: £2,243: 1m 2f) (12 runners)

1	(11)	502123	AU BON 11 (D,G) (D Hunnisett) D Morley 9-2	J Reid	98
2	(7)	3-10001	FINAL SOUND 4 (S) (J-Tec Shoes Ltd) P Haslam 9-2	T Williams	96
3	(4)	001043	MILL DE LEASE 10 (F) (J Pepper) J Jenkins 9-2	Pat Eddery	95
5	(12)	060040	VALTAKI 18 (G) (K Al-Said) N Callaghan 9-2	R Cochrane	96
7	(2)	104041	DADDY'S DARLING 17 (V,D,F,S) (G Blum) G Blum 8-13	M Marshall (5)	98
9	(8)	503434	CHAMPAGNE RUN 4 (BF) (Champagne Racing Ltd) M Usher 8-11	A McGlone	93
11	(6)	000504	FAY'S PET 34 (D Maund) B Stevens 8-11	W Newnes	—
13	(1)	0-0000	GOLFE DU LION 48 (V Falk) P Makin 8-11	R Hills	—
15	(9)	060-00	TWO TOTAL 38 (E Vestey) G Pritchard-Gordon 8-11	G Carter	95
20	(5)	0604	JUST DIZZY 17 (Mrs V Pritchard-Gordon) R Smyth 8-8	S Whitworth	91
21	(10)	055400	NASDAROVYE 42 (A Hodge) D Thom 8-8	Paul Eddery	● 99
22	(3)	0	ORDELIA 20 (Mrs G Kindersley) G Kindersley 8-8	M Gallagher (7)	98

BETTING: 5-2 Daddy's Darling, 11-4 Au Bon, 3-1 Mill De Lease, 6-1 Champagne Run, 13-2 Nasdarovye, 10-1 Final Sound, 12-1 others.

1987: CATHERINE SCHRATT 8-8 R Cochrane (2-1 fav) R Williams 16 ran

2.30 GOODWOOD PARK HOTEL GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB HANDICAP (£3,679: 1m 4f) (15 runners)

4	(15)	103654	FLYAWAY 27 (G) (H Salem) B Hanbury 3-8-10	R Cochrane	97
5	(4)	40362	OXALIS 14 (J Wright) G Huffer 4-9-6	G Carter	93
7	(14)	536-612	LEGENDARY DANCER 11 (D,BF,G) (J Rowles) R Johnson Houghton 3-9-4	J Reid	96
8	(11)	5120	ARMERIA 48 (S) (K Abdulla) J Tree 3-9-4	Pat Eddery	98
9	(8)	353510	NICOLAKI 11 (CD,BF,F) (Mrs P Goulandris) D Laing 3-9-1	T Williams	98
13	(3)	160000	RUNNING FLUSH 16 (V,F,G,S) (N Capon) P Howling 6-8-13	Paul Eddery	91
15	(1)	0-60002	KARBAJ 16 (BF) (Mrs S Jones) C Horgan 4-8-11	M Marshall (5)	94
17	(7)	10-4036	TARLETON'S OAK 15 (C,F) (Mrs B Trafford) G Harwood 5-8-11	A Clark	97
19	(10)	510006	SAY YOU 45 (D,F) (T Prebble) P Howling 4-8-6	W Newnes	96
20	(15)	00	SARAH'S VENTURE 34 (CD,F,G,S) (Mrs J Jackson) C Horgan 9-8-4	S Dawson	—
22	(6)	000000	MILAN FAIR 8 (B) (A Richards) C Austin 4-8-1	A McGlone	—
25	(9)	000	SING THE BLUES 34 (B Hager) C Benstead 4-7-13	R Hills	—
28	(5)	332384	CUVA 17 (Mrs R Lamb) C Benstead 3-7-8	N Gwilliams (7)	● 99
29	(13)	550005	BOLD ARCHER 9 (F) (M Hammer) M Fetherston-Godley 5-7-7	N Adams	93
30	(12)	00400/0-	ADBURY 307J (M Rogers) R Curtis 5-7-7	—	—

BETTING: 2-1 Jarbaj, 3-1 Legendary Dancer, 5-1 Tarleton's Oak, 13-2 Armeria, 8-1 Nicolaki, 12-1 Running Flush, 16-1 others.

1987: ALWASMI 3-8-3 R Hills (4-6 fav) H Thomson Jones 5 ran

3.00 SUPREME STAKES (Group III: £20,415: 7f) (8 runners)

1	(4)	221122	LUZUM 35 (B,CD,F,S) (H Al-Maktoum) H Thomson Jones 4-9-2	R Hills	86
3	(8)	40-2246	FAIR JUDGMENT 26 (B,G) (Sheikh Mohammed) M V O'Brien (Ire) 4-8-12	J Reid	● 99
4	(5)	014-640	PRINT 27 (G,S) (Lord Carnarvon) W Hastings-Bass 4-8-12	R Cochrane	96
6	(2)	000600	WHIPPET 23 (F,G) (A Richards) C Austin 4-8-12	B Rouse	73
7	(1)	22-1153	ZELPHI 37 (D,G,S) (K Abdulla) J Tree 3-8-11	Pat Eddery	91
8	(3)	52-0850	STOCK HILL LASS 8 (F,G,S) (Mrs M Fairbairn) L Cottrell 8-8-9	N Adams	76
9	(7)	550364	WANTAGE PARK 22 (D,F,S) (G Mills) M Ryan 4-8-9	G Carter	88
10	(6)	105133	ALQUOZ 26 (D,G,S) (H Al-Maktoum) J Dunlop 3-8-7	A Clark	87

BETTING: 13-8 Fair Judgement, 4-1 Luzum, 9-2 Zelphi, 6-1 Print, 15-2 Alquoz, 12-1 Wantage Park, 16-1 others.

1987: ASTEROID FIELD 4-8-6 M Hills (7-1) B Hills 10 ran

FORM FAIR JUDGMENT, winner of the Pacemaker International Stakes at Phoenix Park (1m) last term, ran a race full of merit when beaten just over 5l into 6th by Indian Skimmer in the Champion Stakes at Phoenix Park (1m 2f) where he was outpaced in the straight.

ZELPHI, who showed excellent early season form when winning the Group III Greenham Stakes at Newbury (7f 60yd), returned to form when a 4½l 3rd to Always Fair at Deauville (1m) last time.

LUZUM has yet to finish out of the first two this season and has a Group III victory in Hamburg (7f) to his credit and last time out finished a creditable 1¼l to Patriach at Baden-Baden (1m).

ALQUOZ has been disappointing since winning the Wood Ditton Stakes, but did finish a fair 3rd to Totem at Phoenix Park (7f) last time and is much preferred to WANTAGE PARK and PRINT, the latter was an outclassed 8th of 10 in the Group I Sprint at Haydock (6f) last time.

Selection: FAIR JUDGMENT

3.30 ST JOHN AMBULANCE GUARANTEED SWEEPSTAKES (Handicap: £2,553: 5f) (13 runners)

1	(8)	311203	GLENCROFT 6 (B,C,D,F,G,S) (M Wane) D Chapman 4-9-10	S Webster	97
2	(5)	060000	SINGING STEVEN 7 (B,CD,F,G,S) (Dr S Bennett) R Hannon 4-9-8	B Rouse	95
3	(2)	511110	P J KELLY 7 (B,CD,F,G,S) (D Laing) D Laing 3-9-3 (7ex)	W Whitehall (7)	87
4	(1)	334310	SKI CAPTAIN 7 (CD,F,G,S) (B Dickson) P Howling 4-9-0	W Newnes	96
9	(4)	065140	MICRO LOVE 7 (CD,F,G) (J Stafford) H O'Neill 4-8-6	Pat Eddery	95
10	(10)	614042	ABSOLUTION 11 (D,F,G) (N Murch) R Hutchinson 4-8-4	R Cochrane	94
12	(6)	021502	IMPALA LASS 32 (D,F,G,S) (R Shaw) B McMahon 5-8-2	T Williams	95
13	(3)	504006	COPPERMILL LAD 34 (CD,F,S) (Mrs J Sargood) L Holt 5-8-1	N Adams	92
14	(13)	323103	LOFT BOY 7 (B,D,F,G,S) (Mrs B Allwright) N Vigors 5-8-1	S Dawson	● 99
16	(11)	120201	OUR FREDDIE 6 (HB,D,F,S) (T Mills Ltd) W Carter 4-7-13 (7ex)	N Gwilliams (7)	93
17	(7)	252510	TYLERS WOOD 7 (D,G) (Mrs J Redmond) J Winter 3-7-10	G Carter	98
18	(12)	0/0253-0	MUSIC MACHINE 10 (D,F,G,S) (A Piller) W Wilson 7-7-10	M Marshall (5)	88
21	(9)	000000-	SEMIS 339 (H Saunders) P Arthur 4-7-7	A McGlone	77

Long handicap: Semis 7-0.

BETTING: 7-2 Loft Boy, 4-1 Absolution, 5-1 Our Freddie, Glencroft, 13-2 Tylers Wood, 8-1 Impala Lass, 10-1 Singing Steven, 12-1 Micro Love, 14-1 others.

1987: MICRO LOVE 3-7-12 M Roberts (8-1) H O'Neill 9 ran

4.00 FOUNDATION STAKES (Listed race: 1m 2f: £12,310) (5 runners)

2	(5)	16-2014	STREET LINE 31 (CD,G,S) (Lord Harrington) M Jarvis 4-9-3	J Reid	92
6	(2)	1-530	AL MUFTI 121 (S) (H Al-Maktoum) H Thomson Jones 3-8-6	R Hills	96
7	(3)	6-51333	ALWUHUSH 28 (D,F) (H Al-Maktoum) J Dunlop 3-8-6	R Cochrane	● 89
9	(4)	410441	DARWEESH 13 (B,D,F,G,S) (A Mutawa) K Brassey 3-8-6	Pat Eddery	92
18	(1)	122251	EARLY CALL 28 (D,F,G,S) (C Trotter) H Candy 3-8-3	W Newnes	91

BETTING: 6-4 Alwuhush, 4-1 Darweesh, 9-2 Al Mufti, 6-1 Street Line, Early Call

1987: STREET LINE 3-8-9 B Raymond (6-1) M Jarvis 5 ran

4.35 COCKED HAT NURSERY STAKES (Handicap: 2-Y-O: £3,485: 1m) (12 runners)

2	(2)	412212	OPTIMIST 15 (G,S) (D Brown) S Norton 9-7	J Reid	89
5	(1)	021303	PERICOT 31 (G) (A Williams) P Kelleway 8-12	G Carter	95
6	(3)	4152	RETOUCH 10 (BF,G) (S Wingfield Digby) P Cole 8-11	Paul Eddery	94
8	(12)	514	BELL TOLL 42 (BF,S) (G Pritchard-Gordon) G Pritchard-Gordon 8-8	Pat Eddery	● 99
9	(8)	5026	UNDERWORLD 16 (J Gaines) G Harwood 8-7	A Clark	90
10	(11)	003	EXCELSIS 21 (P Winfield) J Dunlop 8-7	R Cochrane	83
11	(10)	003	SAXON COURT 17 (B) (J Sampson) K Brassey 8-7	S Whitworth	80
12	(7)	51560	SOUTH SANDS 17 (F) (Lord Matthews) I Matthews 8-7	W Newnes	90
13	(4)	60230	LADY LLANFAIR 32 (N Anderson) R Hannon 8-4	B Rouse	80
14	(9)	560	SPY RING 17 (Kennet Valley Ltd) J Hills 7-12	R Hills	80
18	(5)	400	JENDRA 31 (J Harwood) P Howling 7-7	S Dawson	84
19	(6)	450064	FORMIDARE 14 (14) (A Speyer) S Dow 7-7	T Williams	85

Long handicap: Jendra 7-5, Formidare 7-4.

BETTING: 3-1 Bell Toll, 4-1 Retouch, 9-2 Optimist, 5-1 Pericot, 6-1 Excelsis, 15-2 Underworld, 8-1 Saxon Court, 12-1 others.

1987: NAIL DON 9-3 Pat Eddery (5-2 fav) R Hannon 11 ran

5.10 SETTRINGTON MAIDEN FILLIES GUARANTEED SWEEPSTAKES (2-Y-O fillies: £1,683: 6f) (24 runners)

1	(10)	62	ALKARIYH 21 (H Al-Maktoum) H Thomson Jones 8-11	R Hills	● 99
3	(2)	50	BETETH 81 (Mrs E Jackman) K Cunningham-Brown 8-11	—	—
5	(1)		BY FAR (D Powell) D Elsworth 8-11	S Dawson	—
6	(6)	6	CATKIN 29 (K Abdulla) J Tree 8-11	Pat Eddery	—
7	(23)	30220	COLLAGE 14 (Hesmonds Stud) D Laing 8-11	T Williams	89
9	(21)		COMIC TALENT (Cheveley Park Stud) L Cumani 8-11	R Cochrane	—
10	(17)		DEEMSTER WILLOW (J Grimes) G Balding 8-11	—	—
13	(9)	00	FINAL MADNESS 32 (S Smith) K Brassey 8-11	A McGlone	—
15	(24)	0	GANGER CAMP 21 (A Dittrich) L Holt 8-11	N Adams	—
17	(16)		GLADYS PUGH (R Barwell) G Balding 8-11	—	—
23	(15)	00	LADY STOCK 45 (Mrs M Fairbairn) L Cottrell 8-11	P D'Arcy	—
30	(13)		MISS SWANSONG (J Strange) D Elsworth 8-11	—	—
31	(11)	3	MIZUWARI 37 (J Morrison) G Balding 8-11	J Williams	82
33	(3)	2	MURMURING 17 (J Redmond) J Winter 8-11	G Carter	87
35	(20)	30	OPENING DEPOSIT 58 (W Scott) R Casey 8-11	Paul Eddery	71
37	(4)	6	PERK 35 (Mrs J de Rothschild) R Johnson Houghton 8-11	J Reid	—
39	(8)	0	ROSY DIAMOND 62 (L Cottrell) L Cottrell 8-11	I Johnson	—
41	(14)	000	ROYAL SCENARIO 34 (B) (L Bush) H O'Neill 8-11	M Marshall (5)	—
46	(18)		STRAW BLADE (J Haverhals) J Dunlop 8-11	B Rouse	—
48	(19)		SUNLEY SUNSHINE (Sunley Holdings Plc) J Dunlop 8-11	A Clark	—
50	(5)	6	TRIP THE DAISEY 32 (P Deal) H Candy 8-11	W Newnes	—
51	(22)	542460	TWO REALMS 36 (Mrs E Jackman) K Cunningham-Brown 8-11	—	63
53	(7)	00	VILVEAER 10 (Mrs B Serjeant) S Woodman 8-11	S Whitworth	—
54	(12)	6050	WENSLEY ROSE 10 (Mrs W Jennings) D Thom 8-11	—	66

BETTING: 9-4 Alkariyh, 100-30 Catkin, 4-1 Murmuring, 9-2 Comic Talent, 6-1 Mizuwari, 14-1 Collage, 16-1 others.

1987: ALWAYS ALONE 8-11 T Ives (7-2) I Balding 19 ran

Course specialists

TRAINERS	Winners	Runners	Per cent
G Harwood	39	136	28.7
J Jenkins	4	14	28.6
L Cumani	17	74	23.0
J Tree	7	36	19.4
J Hills	3	16	18.8
C Benstead	5	35	14.3

JOCKEYS	Winners	Rides	Per cent
Pat Eddery	52	225	23.1
R Cochrane	19	111	17.1
J Reid	16	104	15.4
I Johnson	3	21	14.3
T Williams	10	88	11.2

Only qualifiers)

THE TIMES AT THE OLYMPICS

Johnson's ban leaves a legacy of rumours

From Pat Butcher, Athletics Correspondent

Ben Johnson's ban for drug-taking has left an uncomfortable legacy here. Even before Florence Griffith Joyner and her sister-in-law, Jackie Joyner Kersee, won gold medals yesterday, the former in an astonishing world record, they had to contend with rumours about the legality of their preparation.

Griffith Joyner certainly went well beyond the previous limits of sprinting performance and credibility with her world record runs in the 200 metres semi-final and final.

There was little doubt after her 100 metres world record of 10.49sec two months ago that when she got into gear for the longer distance, at which she was better before her extraordinary breakthrough this season, she would do considerable damage to that record.

Not even the most credulous athletics fan was prepared for what happened yesterday. After a semi-final victory in 21.56sec, taking 0.15sec from the world record of Marita Koch and Heike Drechsler, yet running apparently with something still in reserve, she got the perfect lane draw, five, for the final, an hour later.

How the 200m world record has fallen

Time	Athlete	Date
22.21	Irena Kirszenstein-Szewinska (Pol)	13.6.74
22.06	Marita Koch (EG)	28.5.78
22.02	Koch	3.6.79
21.71	Koch	10.6.79
21.71	Heike Drechsler (EG)	29.6.86
21.56	Florence Griffith Joyner (US)*	29.9.88
21.34	Griffith Joyner†	29.9.88

* Olympic semi-final
† Olympic final

Her start was not particularly impressive, but when she got into her stride she left the similarly much improved Grace Jackson more than three metres behind, in 21.34sec. Jackson was second, in 21.71sec, and Drechsler was third, in 21.95sec.

Merlene Ottey's 21.99sec meant that this was the first race in which four women broke 22sec. Griffith Joyner emulated Jordanka Donkova in setting two world records on the same day. So Griffith Joyner, at 28, had taken the incredible margin of 0.62sec off her personal best at the start of the season.

Much of the day had been taken up by claim and counter-claim that Joaquim Cruz had allegedly said that the two women were something other than women.

While Cruz denied having said it, Gwen Torrence, who finishd sixth in the 200 metres, was hardly unequivocal. Asked about Griffith Joyner's performance, Torrence said: "Me being a female athlete, I can't understand it. There's something she has got that we don't have."

Griffith Joyner's response to that was: "A lot of hard work, dedication, and just wanting it enough. I wanted to set a world record at the Olympic Games. "I have never used drugs, I will never use drugs and I don't need to use drugs. They can come and test me every week of the year."

Joyner Kersee was rather more loquacious, preventing her sister-in-law entering the interview room for almost an hour. There was a similar contrast in the reception of their victories.

While a shocked silence greeted Griffith Joyner's mind-bending performace, the long jump elicited rapturous applause, especially when Joyner Kersee snatched the title from Drechsler on her fifth jump, with 7.40 metres.

Joyner Kersee said: "I could see Drechsler was exhausted, and everybody else was getting tired. So I thought I'd go for the big one in the fifth round."

Drechsler was complimentary about being beaten to a gold medal by two members of the same family on the same day, and Joyner Kersee laid into her critics.

"It's a sad situation when I've worked so hard to get here. The Olympic Games should be the highlight of our careers, and all they're talking about is drugs.

"I haven't used drugs. I don't think every time an athlete sets a world record, their performance should be questioned." And much, much more. In contrast, Martina Hellman had a quiet time, winning the discus with 72.30 metres. There are advantages to being an East German sometimes.

United in triumph: Florence Griffith Joyner powers her way to victory in the 200m final in 21.34sec to set her second world record of the day and is swept off her feet in celebration by her husband, Al, while Jackie Joyner Kersee stretches out to 7.40m in the fifth round of the long jump to overtake Heike Drechsler and collect her second gold medal

Search for success opens family wounds

From John Goodbody

As in *The Golden Bowl* by Henry James, the story of the Joyners and the Kersees is that of a successful and superfically perfect American family, yet the relationship between the couples contains a hidden flaw.

Florence Griffith Joyner and Jackie Joyner Kersee are sisters-in-law who have collected four titles between them at the Olympics, with "Flo Jo" hoping for at least one more relay gold medal this weekend to add to those in the 100 and 200 metres.

But since the United States trials two months ago, when "Flo Jo" set the world 100 metres record of 10.49sec, better than the men's winning time at the 1956 Games, she has been coached by her husband, Al, rather than by her brother-in-law, Bob Kersee.

Although Jackie, the winner of the heptathlon and the long jump, yesterday embraced her sister-in-law after her world 200 metres record, there is a lack of warmth and communication between the two sides of the family.

Florence insists that the decision for her husband, instead of Bob Kersee, to coach her was "not a family matter. We were not that close." It was motivated by what she calls her brother-in-law's wish to control every feature of the competitors' lives, not just the training. "You can only live on promises for so long. I ran with one pair of spikes for six months."

After finishing second in the 1984 Olympic 200 metres, Florence, who ran with her famous multi-coloured long fingernails, stopped training and grew rather plump. She also found herself being wooed by Al, the triple jump gold medal winner in Los Angeles.

Florence insists that her brief retirement in 1986 was caused by her trying to withdraw from Kersee. She also considers her coaching fees were too high. She recalls: "I would finish work, do somebody's hair, and go to the spa or park to train at 10 or 11 o'clock at night. Al was the one with me then, not Bobby".

She also thinks that Kersee tries to drive a wedge between Jackie and Al Joyner. "When Jackie started doing well Bobby did not include Al in anything."

When confronted with these allegations, Kersee turns to Friedrich Nietzsche, saying that the philosopher tended to denounce those who had the most influence over him. "It was an unconscious way of covering up his debts.

"Maybe she does not think I deserve any respect. It is all a good story. It has got drama, cheating and sabotage. But it is only a good story. It is not true."

Al and Jackie Joyner had always been particularly close before they married their respective partners, which makes the situation so awkward. Al was never jealous of his younger sister, despite the fact that she achieved success before him.

He took inspiration from Jackie, saying: "She was my idol. I never had a big brother, I had Jackie." Both have achieved much for the deprived neighbourhood in which they grew up in east St Louis. "What me and my brother have accomplished is set a role model for young kids there in east St Louis. They can see there is more to life."

But the brother and sister are locked into their marriages. Bob Kersee says that his wife is without any doubt his best friend. Any arguing strengthens the marriage. "We argue so much on the track but by the time we get home we are tired of arguing."

But if the disagreements in that side of the family are easily overcome, the relationship with the Joyners remains fraught. Not even their joint success here has been able to eradicate that.

ARCHERY

Semi-final place for Franks

Joanne Franks, who at one stage was one point away from elimination, qualified for the semi-finals of the individual competition and earned the chance to become the first British archer to win a medal since 1908.

Franks, of Thetford, who will celebrate her 21st birthday tomorrow, qualified in third place with 327 points for the four-stage competition, only 10 behind Kim Soo Nyung, of Korea, the favourite for the gold medal. "I had a lovely surprise party — lots of cards and presents — before we came out to Seoul and now I may have another one out here," Franks said.

Under a new system introduced to the sport since the last Games, the field is reduced at the end of each of the last four rounds. Franks survived narrowly when the line-up was cut to 18, and all the points scored yesterday will be wiped away as the last 12 start on level terms once again.

It was a remarkable turn round for the woman who missed the target altogether when the targets were moved back to 50 metres earlier in the day and it was only when she thought she had blown her chances of a quarter-final place that the arrows began to make their mark.

HOCKEY

Britain can outdo forebears

From Sydney Friskin

It would be interesting to know how many of Britain's 1948 team that won the silver medal will turn on their radios or televisions at six o'clock tomorrow morning to follow the fortunes of the 1988 team in the Olympic final against West Germany. In the 40 years that have passed, the game has changed considerably, so have the rules. Frank Reynolds, a member of the 1948 team, was appalled when he learnt that a goalkeeper can now be penalized for kicking the ball, albeit dangerously.

While the 1948 British team knew they had no chance against India, the best team in the world from a nation that went on to win the gold medal eight times, the 1988 side are confident they can win the most cherished prize. They are undeterred at losing 2-1 to the Germans, through a controversial penalty stroke, in a group match.

After Britain's 3-2 victory over Australia in the semi-final, David Whitaker, the team coach, said: "This undoubtedly was our best game of the tournament. The German game acted as a sting." The matches which followed that defeat obviously gave Britain extra stability.

The Germans themselves are on a crusade. In 1986 they failed to reach the World Cup final in London, having been beaten 3-2 by England in extra time. The following year, in Moscow, they stumbled at the semi-final stage of the European championship, losing 2-1 to Netherlands. Revenge was sweet when they beat the Dutch by the same score in the semi-finals here.

Having qualified for the Olympic final, the Germans will be determined to recover the gold medal they won at Munich in 1972 and lost four years later at Montreal: but they have no illusions about Great Britain, having witnessed the calmness and dexterity displayed in the match against Australia.

In this tournament there has been no outstanding player other than Kerly, whose name is on everyone's lips. He is at his best in a situation he relishes most — a crisis. The balance of power is slightly disturbed in that Stefan Blocher, Kerly's opposite number, is out of action after being hit on the head by the ball in the match against the Dutch.

No doubt Klaus Kleiter, the West German coach, has been discussing tactics with his men as assiduously as Whitaker, and the trump cards held by each will be concealed until the right moment.

The only speculation surrounding the British team is whether Batchelor or Bhaura will start at outside right. In light of the semi-final it is likely to be Batchelor, although when Bhaura replaced him it did not detract from Britain's standard of play.

What of Australia who will play off for the bronze medal with the Netherlands? If the Australians win, it will be small compensation for a team that a few days earlier looked potential champions when they tore Pakistan apart to win 4-0. Many players will retire including Richard Charlesworth, who has played in four Olympic tournaments.

Richard Aggiss, the Australian coach who guided them to their World Cup triumph in 1986, is also relinquishing his post. He had announced his intention to do so before the start of the Olympics from which he emerges a disappointed man. "I've racked my brains for eight years trying to win an Olympic gold medal for Australia. Now someone else can do it," he said.

GREAT BRITAIN: I Taylor; D Faulkner, P Barber, J Potter, R Dodds (captain), M Grimley, S Batchelor, R Leman, S Kerly, R Clift, I Sherwani.

WEST GERMANY: T Frank; C Fischer, M Metz, V Fried, U Hanel, D Brinkmann, E Schmidt-Opper, A Keller, T Reck, M Hilgers, H Dopp (captain).

Rojas tries again

Las Vegas (AP) — Gilberto Roman, the World Boxing Council super-flyweight champion, will defend his title against José Rojas, a former champion, on the undercard of the Sugar Ray Leonard-Donny Lalonde twin WBC championship contest on November 7 at Caesars Palace. Roman, of Mexicali, Mexico, won a 12-round decision over Rojas at Miami, Florida, in April to win the title. Roman won the WBC super flyweight championship in 1986 by beating Jiro Watanabe in Japan.

FOOTBALL

Brazilians wielding the rapier

Seoul (Reuter) — Brazil are looking for a golden stop on the road to the next World Cup when they play the ruggedly effective Soviet Union in the soccer final tomorrow.

Brazil's coach, Carlos Alberto Silva, has made no secret of the fact that his Olympic side will form the nucleus of the national squad for the 1990 World Cup finals in Italy. Their splendid spontaneity backed by a defensive resolve rare in recent Brazilian teams, has won the side praise from discerning fans at home and made them clear favourites for the Olympic title.

But suspension of two key players, who picked up their second bookings of the tournament in the dramatic semi-final victory over West Germany, will make the task more difficult. Influential midfield players, Geovani and Ademir, will be sorely missed as Brazil attempt to go one better than in Los Angeles four years ago when they were beaten 2-0 in the final by France.

The Soviet Union's gangling Alexei Mikhailichenko will exploit any midfield weaknesses. He has scored five goals and inspires a workmanlike team which wield the broadsword as effectively as Brazil use the rapier.

"If just for the way he lifts a team, Mikhailichenko is one of the best players in the world at the moment," said the Soviet Union coach, Anatoli Bychovets. "But we have other good players. We play as a team and that's important. I have not seen Brazil play but I know they are a side of quality."

Although they go into the final as underdogs, the Soviet Union have the better Olympic record. They struck gold at the 1956 Melbourne Games and were bronze medal winners in 1976 and again at home in 1980.

Bychovets has told his players that they will receive a cash bonus of about £7,800 each if they add another gold to that tally. The Brazilians, who have witnessed an exodus of professionals to Europe, know that their worth on the transfer market will increase markedly with a gold medal dangling from their necks.

Several have polished their reputations here, none more so than the forward, Romario, who will be tightly marked by the Russians. The stocky Maradona look-alike is equal top scorer in the Olympics with six goals, including the crucial equalizer against West Germany.

TENNIS

Sabatini the final obstacle to Graf

From Richard Evans

Steffi Graf returned to her most positive form in the semi-finals of the women's singles here yesterday and, by beating Zina Garrison, of the United States, 6-2, 6-0, enhanced the chances of embellishing her grand slam with Olympic gold.

In a rematch of their United States Open final, Graf will meet her great rival, Gabriela Sabatini, whose equally convincing, 6-1, 6-1 defeat of Manuela Maleeva, of Bulgaria, lent an air of authenticity to tennis's efforts to become a top calibre Olympic sport.

Certainly Graf looked more like her true self after a series of less than brilliant performances at the Games. Her Czech coach, Pavel Slozil, said Steffi had been mentally exhausted on her arrival here after the emotional strain of chasing the grand slam at Flushing Meadow.

"In practice she was hitting the ball really well against me," said Slozil. "But during matches she had a tough time concentrating. It was the first time I had seen her so tired in the head. She was still complaining about it only yesterday but today against Zina everything seemed to click back into place."

Garrison was unfortunate to come out of the match with only two games. Often she rallied steadily from the back court and induced enough errors at the start to force the first break of serve and go 2-1 up. At that point it was difficult to envisage her not winning another game.

Well as she played against Maleeva, Sabatini will have to step up a gear if she is to do more than take a set off Graf in tomorrow's final, as she did at the US Open.

Swedish players are expected to win the equivalent of gold medals every time they walk on court these days, but Stefan Edberg has been unable to provide them with anything more than a bronze which, on current form, is something of a disappointment.

With his partner, Anders Jarryd, who also became despondent in the end, Edberg was beaten 6-4, 1-6, 6-3, 6-2, in the semi-finals of the mens' doubles by the reigning US Open champions, Emilio Sanchez and Sergio Casal, of Spain. In the final the Spaniards will meet Ken Flach and Robert Seguso, of the United States. They defeated today's singles finalist, Miloslav Mecir, and his Czechoslovak partner, Milan Srejber, in straight sets.

WEIGHTLIFTING

Kurlovich breaks two marks

Seoul (AFP) — Alexander Kurlovich, at last forgot the ignominy of being arrested for trafficking steroids in 1983, and lifted more weight than anyone in Olympic history.

Kurlovich, weighing 132kg, raised an Olympic record of 212.5kg (467lbs) in the snatch and an overall record of 462.5kg (1,016) only 10kg short of his world record. His winning total was 32.5kg more than Manfred Nerlinger, the West German silver medal winner, managed, and 47.5kg higher than the aggregate of Martin Zawieja, also of West Germany.

His victory gave the Soviets a clean sweep in the five heavy divisions and total of six against Bulgaria's two and one for Turkey and East Germany.

After two Bulgarians were disqualified for positive drug tests, the team hastily withdrew and were followed by the Hungarians

Kurlovich broke the snatch record by 17.5kg and the overall by 22.5kg, while Nerlinger became the second competitor to add a medal here to one won in Los Angeles, but Jiri Zubricky, of Poland and the heaviest man in the Olympics at 164.95kg never managed a lift after three feeble snatch attempts.

CANOEING

Jamieson finds he is lone British survivor

Eric Jamieson was left as a lone challenger for Britain in the finals after a succesion of setbacks yesterday. Jamieson, a Guildford construction worker, who had already qualified for the Canadian 500 metres final, luckily won a place in the 1,000 metres following the disqualification of the Pole, Jan Pinczura.

Jamieson finished third in his semi-final in 4min 13.44sec some six seconds behind the winner, Larry Cain, of Canada.

The rest of the squad was unable to make an impact. "I'm disappointed but not surprised," said the British coach, Bernard Perrett. "You have [illegible] look at how the success[illegible]ared for these Games to see why we are not keeping up. They all had the time and the money to do it properly."

The British women's Kayak four, fifth out of seven in their semi-final, were together only once a week during the month before the Games. Angela Dawson had to travel for six hours from her home in Lancashire to train with Janine Lawler (Walton-on-Thames), Andrea Dalloway (Weybridge) and Perrett's daughter, Suzy.

The defending champion, Alan Thompson, of New Zealand, squeezed into the final of the Kayak 1,000 metres only because of a careless error by Philippe Boccara, of France, who was thrown out after he and his partner, Pascal Boucherit, had missed the start of a subsequent race in the pairs.

JUDO

A gallant medal effort by injured White

Densign White, from Wolverhampton, failed in his attempt to win a bronze medal in the 86kg class but it was a brave effort in view of his recent injury problems.

White won three contests before being beaten by Vladimir Chestakov, of the Soviet Union. The judges were divided but the referee gave his casting vote to the Soviet fighter. Chestakov went on to take the silver in an event won by Peter Seisenbacher, of Austria, who completed his return from a long injury lay-off by becoming the first man to win judo gold medals in successive Games.

In the repechage, White easily beat Chiu Heng-An, of Taipei, before losing to Ben Spijkers, of Holland, in the deciding bout for the bronze.

White's problems with a groin muscle caused him to break down in training last week, two months after first receiving the injury in Japan. He spent two weeks at the Lilleshall rehabilitation centre but was still concerned about the injury when he arrived in Seoul.

Japan's humiliation continues, much to the joy of the South Korean crowds, for with five categories out of seven now completed, they have not won a single gold medal. All they have to show for their efforts are three bronzes, while the Koreans have picked up two golds.

However, Japan did win a gold in the women's 66kg division of the demonstration events, when Hikari Sasaki got the better of Brigitte Deydier.

VOLLEYBALL

Peru thwarted by stamina of the Soviets

Seoul (AFP) — Peru, whose women's team made up the bulk of their Olympic party, were denied a first ever gold medal when they were worn down by the Soviet Union in the final and lost a thrilling match in the deciding set, 10-15, 12-15, 15-12, 15-13, 17-15 here yesterday.

Led by magnificent spiking by Cecilia Tait, the agility of the Peruvians won them the first two sets. But the stamina of the Soviet team, who were an average of four inches taller than their opponents, told as they fought back, and in the final set, Peru saved one match point then wasted three before losing.

China, the 1984 Olympic champions, beat Japan 15-13, 15-6, 15-6 for the bronze medal.

BASKETBALL

US women make up for their men's lapse

Teresa Edwards, a veteran of the 1984 team, took charge in the second half and inspired the United States women's team to a successful defence of its Olympic title yesterday when they defeated Yugoslavia 77-70 in the final.

The victory, which gave the Americans some comfort for the defeat of their men in the semi-final against the Soviet Union, was a rather more rewarding triumph than in 1984 when the powerful Eastern bloc countries were prevented from participating by the boycott. There was nothing to diminish this one, as the team coached by Kay Yow, had disposed of the once-mighty Soviet Union to get to the final.

Edwards scored 14 of her 18 points in the second half, when the United States took command during a sequence in which they outscored the Slavs by 12 points to six to build up a 17-point lead with less than five minutes left.

Cindy Brown collected 12 points for the Americans and Cynthia Cooper, 11. Yugoslavia, who had lost to the United States by 27 points in the preliminary round, restricted their opponents in a half-court game in the first half during which they competently handled the United States press. The transformation began when Suzie McConnell, the American 5ft 4in point guard came off the bench to get the United States running in the second half. McConnell and Edwards continually passed the slower Slavs to set up decisive lay-ups or open jump shots.

THE TIMES AT THE OLYMPICS

Staines arrives from nowhere

From Pat Butcher, Athletics Correspondent

When there is a provision for fastest losers to be added to an Olympic final, it should be fairly obvious to people running in the second semi-final that they have to set off at a pace such that if there are four automatic qualifiers, and they finish fifth, their time should thus be better than the first semi.

The women in the 1,500 metres understood this. The men in the 5,000 metres did not. Eamonn Martin was eliminated but Jack Buckner escaped to join Gary Staines in the final, to be run in the early hours of tomorrow morning (BST).

After recognizing that the first semi-final was relatively slow and likely to cause a big build-up in the finishing straight, Buckner sensibly took the lead with four laps to go. But, just as he looked like qualifying comfortably, about 20 metres ahead of the chase, with only 100 to run, Buckner's lack of race fitness after injury caught up with him along with the pack.

He finished seventh, in 13min 23.17sec, behind the victory of Domingos Castro. But the runners in the second heat did not seem to notice until it was almost too late. But Martin was already struggling, as he had done in the 10,000 metres. And a trip which had promised so much ended up with Martin getting as little as if he had been stranded at Gatwick for a month.

Staines, in contrast, was very impressive. Unlike Martin, he covered all the breaks and, unlike Buckner, when he went into the lead he stayed there until he was sure of qualifying, in 13min 24.51sec.

Staines could conceivably win a medal. He has come here without any expectation, except from himself. And the one thing Said Aouita has been right about in these Games so far is that the 5,000 metres is not strong, apart from José Regalo, who still looks in the best form to win gold.

There were no mistakes from the women in the second semi-final of the 1,500 metres. Eight of them ran faster than the fifth woman in the first heat. Which meant that Shireen Bailey and Christina Cahill qualified and Kirsty Wade did not.

After much meandering around the track, looking for opponents to trip her up, Mary Slaney qualified easily.

Fiona May was as impressive in the long jump as Dalton Grant had been in the high jump. May, the world junior champion, was far from being overawed by the company of Jackie Joyner-Kersee, Heike Drechsler and Galina Chistiakova. She finished sixth, with 6.62 metres, and was disappointed with her performance.

Steve Cram looked the more ready to make amends for his 800 metres failure than Aouita in the 1,500 metres heats. Cram raced away in the last 200 metres of the first heat to win in 3min 50.89sec. Aouita looked so uncomfortable, finishing fourth in heat two and holding his right thigh, that there was some doubt he would continue. Peter Elliott, Steve Crabb and the other favourite, Jens-Peter Herold, all qualified easily.

Looking back in comfort: Cram strides effortlessly home

BOXING

Woodhall happy to give best

From Steven Downes

Britain's Richie Woodhall, has to take solace in a bronze medal after after being outpointed 5-0 last night in a light-middleweight semi-final against Roy Jones, of the United States.

Had Woodhall won, he would have been the first British boxer to reach an Olympic final since Chris Finnegan in Mexico City 20 years ago, but Jones is a fine boxer — "the best I've ever faced," according to Woodhall.

Jones, aged 19, from Florida, has a fine pedigree: his father, Roy Jones snr, met Marvin Hagler in a professional contest in 1977, and Jones junior's amateur career has included victory in the Golden Gloves.

Jones seemed to mesmerize Woodhall in the first round. "His hand speed did surprize me, he was very quick," Woodhall said. "Perhaps I gave him too much respect in the first round."

Woodhall threw few punches in the first round, allowing Jones to come forward with some vicious combinations. At the end of the second Woodhall began to return the fire and he was most effective, carrying the strategy into a frantic last round, when in the final 15 seconds of toe-to-toe punching, Jones was rocked by Woodhalla straight right.

"I knew I'd lost, he'd caught me with too many clean punches," Woodhall said. "I didn't go in there settling for bronze, but I'm pleased with it anyway: I had a lot of criticism over my selection, but now I'm coming home with a medal around my neck."

Home is Telford, in Shropshire, where he is coached by his father, Len. He intends to continue working as a landscape gardener and boxing as an amateur, at least until the Commonwealth Games in 1990. WoodhallWoodhall In the absence of the Cubans, no one team has dominated the proceedings in the Chamsil ring, not even the Americans, who are a close second to the Japanese on the Koreans' list of "countries-we-love-to-loathe".

Two United States boxers went out in yesterday morning's semi-finals, much to the crowd's joy, but six others went through to the finals, including Ray Mercer, the heavyweight, who achieved a second-round stoppage over the Dutchman, Vanderlijde, the conqueror of Henry Akinwande, of Britain.

Apart from the East Germans, with three finalists, it is the Koreans who have had most success, and in most instances with some justification, for they favour an all-action style.

Quick-fire action which charms and baffles the eye

From Simon Barnes

Table tennis has always seemed to me to be a rather flaky kind of sport. What on earth is it in the national make-up of the Swedes and the Chinese that makes them the world's top ping-pong nations?

Ping-pong is in the Olympics for the first time. Tennis, the non-table version, is making its comeback to the Games. The sense of including tennis eludes most of us: but bringing in ping-pong seems a splendid idea.

Ping-pong is one of the great democrats of sport. It is one of the easiest and cheapest games in the world to play, and it is played, with varying degrees of fervour, all over the world. At the casual level, it is enormous fun, and on the top of Mount Olympus it provides what must be the fastest action to be found anywhere at the Games.

The game is so fast, it doesn't quite work on television. In fact, it scarcely works in real life, so far as the spectator is concerned: the speed baffles the eye. In many ball games, you make a shot on the pure instinct level, without a chance for conscious thought. In ping-pong, you play entire rallies like that. You make shots long before your mind has taken note of the ball. You can turn a decisive lead into a disastrous deficit in less than 30 seconds.

It is a sport that requires super-fast reactions that seem almost on the boundaries of neuroses. In Oliver Sacks's bizarre and unforgettable book, *The Man Who Mistook His Wife For a Hat*, he describes a man who suffers from Tourrette's Syndrome: a neurological disorder that involves lightning, involuntary reactions: compulsive shouting, sometimes compulsive mimicry, wild, tangential conversation, bizarre and unstoppable tics.

Sacks writes of a man who called himself Witty Ticcy Ray. Ray was able to regulate his condition with depressants, but resented the dullness this brought out in him. And so, at weekends, he would come off the medication and indulge in his various pleasures: free-associating conversation, playing the drums and, yes, playing table tennis.

This story seems to me to lay bare the nature of ping-pong. Professor Christopher Ricks, a spectacular ping-ponger himself, once told me that he thought playing table tennis was like the Taj Mahal. I forget why: but this clearly demonstrates the flakiness of mind that ping-pong brings out.

Ping-pong is a vernacular game throughout the world, and a national passion in China. The world champion is Jiang Jialang, a hothouse-bred product of the Chinese system of excellence. "This will be my first and last Olympics," he said.

Jiang is the fastest of the super-fast, with a forehand that comes from nowhere and a serve that operates in defiance of Newton's Laws of Motion. "But it is very, very tiring to be a sportsman," he said. "Sometimes I want to give up, but then I always keep coming back. I get very bored after playing for a long time."

Jiang demonstrates the best and the worst of the hothouse system. He is aged 24, and on Thursday the jaded side of his nature was showing: he was knocked out of both the doubles and the singles. The singles upset was served by Erik Lindh, who is not even the Swedish No. 1

Unlike the tennis, the ping-pong tournament is a top, top competition. It is as tough as they come, and the Brits have been having as hard a time as you would predict. Prean, Cooke and Andrew all went out on Wednesday; the indefatigable Desmond Douglas lasted a day longer and reached the last 16. Once there, he was knocked out by Jiang, who fell himself in the following round.

Jiang will not go back to an empty life. He remains a star. He plans to marry his girlfriend, a film star called Wu Yufang, after the Games. I remember one American athlete — I forget which — saying: "I came from a really poor neighbourhood, most people only had one car." Most people where Jiang comes from only have one bicycle, but he has a car, and his own flat as well.

No matter what Jiang's future is, his country will continue to provide its torrent of table-top conjurors, and the other ping-pong nations will measure their standard by their ability to make inroads on the Chinese. Now the sport is part of the Olympics, the Games will provide the ultimate test in the splendid, whipcrack-fast and splendidly flaky sport of ping-pong.

Computer age set to reach boxing

The International Amateur Boxing Association (AIBA) plans to introduce computerized judging in 1989 to give spectatators a blow-by-blow account of who is winning. The method is aimed at avoiding events like the violent reaction of spectators following judges' decisions on close-fought bouts at Seoul.

Anwar Chowdhry, president of the association, said that under the new system the five judges would signal points for or against each boxer by pressing buttons linked to a computer after a punch.

Upset at home

Playing a fast, mobile game, South Korea sprang an upset in the women's handball competition by beating the Soviet Union 21-19 to win the gold medal in Seoul yesterday. Norway beat Yugoslavia 20-15 to take the silver on superior scoring from the Soviets, who won the bronze.

No charge

Troy Dalbey and Doug Gjertson, the American swimming gold medallists, will not be prosecuted for removing a marble bust from a Seoul hotel, the South Korean state prosecutor said yesterday. Following a separate incident, Johnny Gray, the US 800-metre runner, paid compensation for damage to a taxi he kicked and escaped charges.

Pro decision

Boris Stankovic, the general secretary of the International Amateur Basketball Federation, said yesterday that a move to admit top professional players from the United States at the Olympics would be considered by the body at its extraordinary world meeting at Barcelona in April.

More secure

Korean Olympic officials have ordered increased precautions to avoid any relaxation of security.

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS FROM SEOUL

ARCHERY

Men

Quarter-final

(Leading 12 qualify for semi-final)

1, Darrell Pace (US), 329pts; 2, M Renders (Neth), 328; 3, R McKinney (US), 327; 4, J Barrs (US), 326; 5, Park Sung-Soo (S Kor), 324; 6, Chun In-Soo (S Kor), 323; 7, T Poikolainen (Fin), 323; 8, Detlef Kahlert (WG) 321; 9, V Yesheev (USSR), 320; 10, P Vikstrom (Fin), 320; 11, Lee Han-sUp (S Kor), 320; 12, H Yamamoto (Japan), 318; 13, I Di Buo (It), 317; 14, T Matsushita (Japan), 316; 15, G Bjerendal (Swe), 316; 16, S Fairweather (Aus), 316; 17, P Vermeiren (Bel), 309; 18, L Watson (GB), 304.

Women

Quarter-final

(Leading 12 qualify for semi-final)

1, Kim Soo-Nyung (S Kor), 337pts; 2, Wang Hee-Kyung (S Kor), 330; 3, J Franks (GB), 327; 4, J Sjowall (Swe), 327; 5, Yun Young-Sook (S Kor), 326; 6, L Arzhannikova (USSR), 326; 7, N Saiman (Indo), 324; 8, C Kriz (WG), 322; 9, M Skillman (US), 318; 10, Ma Xiangjun (China), 318; 11, Lai Fang-Mei (Taiwan), 317; 12, T Muntyan (USSR), 316; 13, L Andersson (Swe), 315; 14, C Pellen (Fr), 313; 15, Liu Pi-Yu (Taiwan), 310; 16, J Kwasna (Pol), 303; 17, P Edwards (GB), 301; 18, N Butuzova (USSR), 300.

ATHLETICS

Men

1,500 metres

First round

(First five in each heat and overall six fastest losers qualify for semi-finals)

HEAT ONE: 1, S Cram (GB), 3min 40.89sec; 2, S Scott (US), 3:41.57; 3, R Geoffroy (Fr), 3:41.68; 4, J Chesire (Ken), 3:41.72; 5, G Di Napoli (It), 3:41.85; 6, M O'Sullivan (Ire), 3:42.01; 7, A Suhonen (Fin), 3:43.61; 8, J Barbosa (Br), 3:44.46; 9, B Zorko (Yug), 3:45.52; 10, M Watson (Berm), 3:46.49; 11, M Homela (Zim), 3:47.38; 12, H-Y Aden (Djibouti), 3:51.56; 13, E Katombi (Angola), 3:54.25; 14, M-D Jonah (Sierra Leone), 3:55.15; 15, M El M Ould Khayar (Mauritania), 4:12.18.

HEAT TWO: 1, K Cheruiyot (Ken), 3:39.98; 2, M Deady (US), 3:41.91; 3, M Guldberg (Den), 3:42.01; 4, S Aouita (Mor), 3:42.18; 5, M Silva (Por), 3:42.24; 6, M Rapp (Switz), 3:42.64; 7, D Campbell (Can), 3:42.97; 8, M Sulnan (Qatar), 3:44.43; 9, Duan Xiuquan (China), 3:44.88; 10, P Scammell (Aus), 3:45.21; 11, J Mohamud Aden (Somalia), 3:49.84; 12, R Lopez (Par), 3:53.31; 13, K Dzekedzeke (Malawi), 4:02.61; 14, B-E Mokoo (Equatorial Guinea), 4:16.40.

HEAT THREE: 1, P Rono (Ken), 3:37.65; 2, J Atkinson (US), 3:38.33; 3, P Elliott (GB), 3:38.60; 4, M Hacksteiner (Switz), 3:39.05; 5, M Lachal (Mor), 3:39.20; 6, R Kram (Alg), 3:39.90; 7, J Cruz (Br), 3:40.92; 8, M Thee (Botswana), 3:41.97; 9, S Spyrou (Cyprus), 3:42.32; 10, G O'Reilly (Ire), 3:43.23; 11, Cho Jin-Saeng (S Kor), 3:45.63; 12, J Kubista (Cz), 3:46.41; 13, M Khan (Fiji), 4:03.20; 14, A Saleh (North Yemen), 4:03.86; 15, J Sigura (Papua New Guinea), 4:07.04.

HEAT FOUR: 1, J-P Herold (EG), 3:40.87; 2, H Kulker (Neth), 3:40.90; 3, S Crabb (GB), 3:41.12; 4, P Wirz (Switz), 3:41.26; 5, O Khalifa (Sudan), 3:41.46; 6, A Moncif (Mor), 3:41.73; 7, M Kalbovssi (Tun), 3:43.72; 8, D Jones (Antigua), 3:51.22; 9, H Al Dousari (Saudi Arabia), 3:51.53; 10, E Ndagemana (Rwanda), 3:51.61; 11, J Graells (Andorra), 3:52.68; 12, Z Ozturk (Tur), 3:54.26; 13, D Consiglio (Can), 3:55.31; 14, S Gayaple (Chad), 3:58.46; 15, H Rokaya (Nepal), 4:01.17.

5,000 metres

Semi-finals

(First six in each heat and overall three fastest losers qualify for final)

HEAT ONE: 1, Dom Castro (Por), 13min 22.44sec; 2, S Maree (US), 13:22.61; 3, D Baumann (WG), 13:22.71; 4, P Thiebaut (Fr), 13:22.71; 5, Y Ondieki (Ken), 13:22.85; 6, H Kunze (EG), 13:23.04; 7, J Buckner (GB), 13:23.17; 8, S Antibo (It), 13:25.64; 9, C Laventure (Fr), 13:29.92; 10, C Cheruiyot (Ken), 13:38.44; 11, A Gomez (Sp), 13:41.73; 12, A Lloyd (Aus), 13:42.49; 13, P Williams (Can), 13:44.57; 14, M Barreto (Mex), 13:53.93; 15, E Coghlan (Ire), 14:02.16.

HEAT TWO: 1, S Mei (It), 13:24.20; 2, J Ngugi (Ken), 13:24.43; 3, J Regalo (Por), 13:24.48; 4, G Staines (GB), 13:24.51; 5, J Doherty (Ire), 13:24.61; 6, E Ignatov (Bul), 13:24.76; 7, P Arpin (Fr), 13:24.82; 8, J Danielsson (Swe), 13:25.25; 9, E Martin (GB), 13:26.26; 10, M Gonzalez (Mex), 13:32.52; 11, D Padilla (US), 13:37.11; 12, A Amon (Sp), 13:39.13; 13, M Dasko (USSR), 13:43.65; 14, V Rousseau (Bel), 14:03.74; 15, T Brahm (US), 14:04.12.

Decathlon

Final positions

1, C Schenk (EG), 8,488pts (100m 11.25sec, long jump 7.43m, shot 15.48m, high jump 2.27m, 400m 48.90sec; 110m hurdles 15.13sec, discus 49.28m, pole vault 4.70m, javelin 61.32m, 1,500m 4min 26.95sec); 2, T Voss (EG), 8,399 (10.87, 7.45, 14.97, 1.97, 47.71; 14.46, 44.36, 5.10, 61.76, 4:33.02); 3, D Steen (Can), 8,328 (11.18, 7.44, 14.20, 1.97, 48.29; 14.81, 43.66, 5.20, 64.16, 4:23.20); 4, D Thompson (GB) 8,306 (10.62, 7.38, 15.02, 2.03, 49.06; 14.72, 44.80, 4.90, 64.04, 4:45.11); 5, C Plaziat (Fr), 8,272 (10.83, 7.62, 13.58, 2.12, 48.34; 14.18, 43.06, 4.90, 52.18, 4:34.07); 6, A Blondel (Fr), 8,268 (11.02, 7.43, 12.92, 1.97, 47.44; 14.40, 41.20, 5.20, 57.46, 4:16.64); 7, T Bright (US), 8,216 (11.18, 7.05, 14.12, 2.06, 49.34; 14.38, 41.68, 5.70, 4:51.20); 8, R De Wit (Neth), 8,189 (11.05, 6.95, 14.34, 2.00, 48.21; 14.36, 41.32, 4.80, 63.00, 4:25.86); 9, D Johnson (US), 8,180 (11.15, 7.12, 14.52, 2.03, 49.15; 14.66, 42.36, 4.90, 66.46, 4:29.62); 10, P Tarnovetski (USSR), 8,167 (11.23, 7.28, 15.25, 1.97, 48.60; 14.76, 48.02, 5.20, 4:52.24); 11, P Keskitalo (Fin), 8,143; 12, B Gaehwiler (Switz), 8,114; 13, D Szabo (Hun), 8,093; 14, M Smith (Can), 8,083; 15, S Shirley (Aus), 8,036; 16, S Poelman (NZ), 8,021; 17, M Olander (Swe), 7,869; 18, U Freimuth (EG), 7,860; 19, L Warming (Den), 7,859; 20, R Hraban (Cz), 7,781; 21, G Werthner (Austria), 7,753; 22, C Gugler (Switz), 7,745; 23, A Penalver (Sp), 7,743; 24, A Kruger (GB), 7,623 (11.30, 6.97, 13.23, 2.15, 49.27; 15.38, 38.72, 4.60, 54.34, 4:37.84); 25, Lee Fu-An (Taiwan), 7,579; 26, S Mellado (El Sal), 7,517; 27, S Moser (Switz), 7,502; 28, V Valenta (Cz), 7,442; 29, C O'Connell (Ire), 7,310; 30, G Richards (GB), 7,237 (11.50, 7.09, 12.94, 1.82, 49.27; 15.56, 42.32, 4.50, 53.50, 4:53.85); 31, Gong Guohua (China), 7,231; 32, A Miller (Fiji), 7,016; 33, Lee Kwang-Ik (S Kor), 6,917; 34, D Kunwar (Nepal), 5,339; 35, V Kyulvet (USSR), 4,037; 36, G Kinder (US), 3,900; 37, F Solorzano (Ec), 2,910.

Women

200 metres

Semi-finals

(First four in each heat qualify for final)

HEAT ONE: 1, F Griffith-Joyner (US), 21.56sec (world record); 2, M Ottey (Jam), 22.07; 3, S Moller (EG), 22.15; 4, M Azarachvili (USSR), 22.33; 5, M Onyali (Nigeria), 22.43; 6, K Krabbe (EG), 22.59; 7, P Davis (Bahamas), 22.67; 8, A Thomas (WG), 22.91.

HEAT TWO: 1, G Jackson (Jam), 22.13; 2, H Drechsler (EG), 22.27; 3, G Torrence (US), 22.53; 4, G Maltchougina (USSR), 22.55; 5, N Gueorguieva (Bul), 22.67; 6, P Dunn (GB), 23.14; 7, A Siwek (Pol), 23.20; 8, R Aebi (Switz), 23.33.

Final

1, Griffith-Joyner, 21.34 (world record); 2, Jackson, 21.72; 3, Drechsler, 21.95; 4, Ottey, 21.99; 5, Moller, 22.09; 6, Torrence, 22.17; 7, Azarachvili, 22.33; 8, Malshugina, 22.42.

1,500 metres

Heats

(First four in each heat and overall four fastest losers qualify for final)

HEAT ONE: 1, D Melinte (Rom), 4min 06.87sec; 2, D Bowker (Can), 4:07.06; 3, T Samolenko (USSR), 4:07.11; 4, K Gallagher (US), 4:07.22; 5, E Van Hulst (Neth), 4:07.40; 6, K Wade (GB), 4:08.37; 7, L Gurina (USSR), 4:08.59; 8, A Chalmers (Can), 4:08.64; 9, V Michallek (WG), 4:10.05; 10, C Bürki (Switz), 4:10.89; 11, Khinkhinhtwe (Burma), 4:20.92; 12, Noh Hea-Soon (S Kor), 4:26.05; 13, D Nyiramutuzo (Rwanda), 4:32.31; 14, P d'Avek (Papua New Guinea), 4:46.49.

HEAT TWO: 1, P Ivan (Rom), 4:03.33; 2, M Slaney (US), 4:03.61; 3, A Hahmann (EG), 4:03.65; 4, L Williams (Can), 4:04.20; 5, S Bailey (GB), 4:04.65; 6, C Cahill (GB), 4:05.33; 7, L Baikauskaite (USSR), 4:05.74; 8, F Aouam (Mor), 4:06.87; 9, H Boulmerka (Alg), 4:08.33; 10, S Sirma (Ken), 4:10.13; 11, R Jacobs (US), 4:18.09; 12, L Vriesde (Surinam), 4:19.58; 13, L Bryan (Antigua), 4:39.73; 14, R Thompson (Sierra Leone), 5:31.42.

100 metres hurdles

First round

(First four in each heat and overall four fastest losers qualify for second round)

HEAT ONE: 1, N Grigorieva (USSR), 12.96sec; 2, K Knabe (EG), 13.13; 3, L Martin (US), 13.20; 4, F Colle (Fr), 13.32; 5, J Flemming (Aus), 13.53; 6, S Tavares (Mex), 13.81; 7, S Tukana (Fiji), 15.50.

HEAT TWO: 1, G Siebert (EG), 12.65; 2, L Narozhilenko (USSR), 12.76; 3, C Zaczkiewicz (WG), 13.00; 4, J Humphrey (US), 13.24; 5, M Usifo (Nigeria), 13.50; 6, D Yankey (Ghana), 13.64; S Dethier (Bel), disq.

HEAT THREE: 1, M Olyslager (Neth), 13.04; 2, J Rocheleau (Can), 13.07; 3, L-A Skeete (GB), 13.38; 4, R Heggli (Switz), 13.72; 5, Chen Wen-Ing (Taiwan), 14.01; 6, A Dela Cruz (Phil), 14.36; G Zagorcheva (Bul), did not finish.

HEAT FOUR: 1, C Oschkenat (EG), 12.72; 2, Liu Huajin (China), 13.02; 3, G Devers-Roberts (US), 13.18; 4, Mon Ewanje-Epee (Fr), 13.18; 5, W Jeal (GB), 13.32; 6, G Tromp (Neth), 13.48; 7, Bang Sin-Hye (S Kor), 13.84; 8, Suet Yee Cheung (HK), 14.26.

HEAT FIVE: 1, J Donkova (Bul), 12.89; 2, S Gunnell (GB), 13.26; 3, Du Juan (China), 13.51; 4, A Piquereau (Fr), 13.56; 5, N Vallecilla (Ec), 13.97; 6, M Marxer (Liechtenstein), 14.38; T Jinadasa (Sri Lanka), disq.

Second round

(First four in each heat and overall four fastest losers qualify for semi-finals)

HEAT ONE: 1, Donkova, 12.47; 2, Narozhilenko, 12.62; 3, Knabe, 12.81; 4, Rocheleau, 12.90; 5, Colle, 13.00; 6, Humphrey, 13.25; 7, Skeete, 13.27; Flemming withdrew.

HEAT TWO: 1, Oschkenat, 12.69; 2, Grigoryeva, 12.89; 3, Olyslager, 13.02; 4, Ewanje-Epee, 13.10; 5, Martin, 13.20; 6, Jeal, 13.32; 7, Du Juan, 13.58; 8, Heggli, 13.95.

HEAT THREE: 1, Siebert, 12.74; 2, Zackiewicz, 12.87; 3, Gunnell, 13.04; 4, Devers-Roberts, 13.22; 5, Tromp, 13.42; 6, Liu Huajin, 14.37; Piquereau and Usifo did not finish.

High jump

Qualifying

(1.92 metres to qualify for final)

GROUP A: Qualifiers: 1, Kim Hee-Sun (S Kor), 1.92m; 2, O Turtchak (USSR), 1.92; 3, J Boyle (GB), 1.92; 4, Mar Ewanje-Epee (Fr), 1.92; 5, S Kostadinova (Bul), 1.92. Non-qualifiers: 6, H Redetzky (WG), 1.90; 7, V Browne (Aus), 1.90; 8, Jin Ling (China), 1.90; 9, P King (US), 1.84; 10, C Fink (Mex), 1.84; 11, B Petrovic (Yug), 1.80; 12, Lucienne N'da (Ivory Coast), 1.75.

GROUP B: Qualifiers: 1, M Sato (Japan) and T Bykova (USSR), 1.92; 3, G Astafei (Rom), 1.92; equal 4, L Andonova (Bul) and D Davies (GB), 1.92; 6, L Ritter (US), 1.92; 7, C Stanton (Aus), 1.92. Non-qualifiers: 8, J Jennings (GB), 1.90; 9, L Avdeenko (USSR), 1.87; 10, C Sommer (US), 1.87; 11, M Beaugendre (Fr), 1.84; 12, Su Chun-Yueh (Taiwan), 1.80.

Long jump

Final

1, J Joyner-Kersee (US), 7.40m; 2, H Drechsler (EG), 7.22; 3, G Chistyakova (USSR), 7.11; 4, Y Belevskaya (USSR), 7.04; 5, N Boegman (Aus), 6.73; 6, F May (GB), 6.62; 7, A Karczmarek (Pol), 6.60; 8, S John (EG), 6.55; 9, Xiong Qiying (China), 6.50; 10, I Kravetz (USSR), 6.46; 11, Liu Shuzhen (China), 6.40; 12, L Demsitz (Den), 6.38.

Discus

Final

1, M Hellmann (EG), 72.30m; 2, D Gansky (EG), 71.88; 3, T Khristova (Bul), 69.74; 4, S Mitkova (Bul), 69.14; 5, E Zvereva (USSR), 68.94; 6, Z Silhava (Cz), 67.84; 7, G Reinsch (EG), 67.26; 8, Hou Xuemei (China), 65.94; 9, Yu Hourun (China), 64.08; 10, L Mikhalchenko (USSR), 64.08; 11, C Cady (US), 63.42.

BASKETBALL

Men

PLACINGS GAMES: 3-4: United States 78, Australia 49. 7-8: Puerto Rico 93, Spain 92. 9-10: South Korea 89, Central African Republic 81. 11-12: China 97, Egypt 75.

Women

FINAL: United States 77, Yugoslavia 70. 5-6 places: Bulgaria 102, China 74.

BOXING

Semi-finals

Light-flyweight

M Carbajal (US) bt R Isaszegi (Hun), pts; I Hristov (Bul) bt L Serantes (Phil), pts.

Flyweight

A Tews (EG) bt M Gonzalez (Mex), pts; Kim Kwang-Sun (S Kor) bt T Skriabin (USSR), pts.

Bantamweight

K McKinney (US) bt P Moolsan (Thai), rsc 1st; A Hristov (Bul) bt J-J Rocha (Col), pts.

Featherweight

G Parisi (It) bt A Achik (Mor) rsc 1st; D Dumitrescu (Rom) bt Lee Jae-Hyuk (S Kor) pts.

Lightweight

G Cramne (Swe) bt N Enkhbat (Mongolia), pts; A Zuelow (EG) bt R Elis (US), pts.

Light-welterweight

V Yanovsky (USSR) bt R Gies (WG) ko 1st; G Cheney (Aus) bt L Myrberg (Swe), pts.

Welterweight

R Wangila (Ken) bt J Dydak (Pol), w/o; L Boudouani (Fr) bt K Gould (US), pts.

Light-middleweight

R Jones (US) bt R Woodhall (GB), pts; Park Si-Hun (S Kor) bt R Downey (Can), pts.

Middleweight

H Maske (EG) bt C Sande (Ken), pts; E Marcus (Can) bt H Syed (Pak), pts.

Light-heavyweight

A Maynard (US) bt H Petrich (Pol), ret 3rd; N Shanavazov (USSR) bt D Skaro (Yug), w/o.

Heavyweight

Baik Hyun-Man (S Kor) bt A Golota (Pol), rsc 2nd; R Mercer (US) bt A Vanderlijde (Neth), rsc 2nd.

Super-heavyweight

R Bowe (US) bt A Miroshnichenko (USSR), pts; L Lewis (Can) bt J Zarenkiewicz (Pol), w/o.

CANOEING

Men's semi-finals

Kayak singles 1,000 metres

(First three in each heat qualify for final)

HEAT ONE: 1, G Barton (US), 3min 40.96sec; 2, M Ivarsen (Nor), 3:41.86; 3, A Szabo (Cz), 3:43.44; 4, J Garcia (Por), 3:44.00; 5, P Holmes (Ire), 3:49.26.

HEAT TWO: 1, A Wohlfebe (EG), 3:39.98; 2, F Csipes (Hun), 3:40.17; 3, P Boccara (Fr), 3:41.01; 4, A Thompson (NZ), 3:45.30; 5, C Beaumier (Can), 3:55.86.

HEAT THREE: 1, G Olsson (Swe), 3:38.82; 2, D Benkovski (USSR), 3:42.14; 3, G Davies (Aus), 3:42.66; 4, D Ulaszewski (WG), 3:44.17; 5, J Rodriguez (Sp), 3:48.35.

Kayak pairs 1,000 metres

(First three in each heat qualify for final)

HEAT ONE: 1, Romania, 3:25.91; 2, Australia, 3:26.87; 3, West Germany, 3:28.91; 4, Ireland, 3:38.92; 5, Italy, 4:11.90; France disq.

HEAT TWO: 1, New Zealand, 3:23.13; 2, Hungary, 3:24.24; 3, Norway, 3:25.00; 4, Soviet Union, 3:27.03; 5, Canada, 3:30.29; 6, Great Britain (A Sherriff and K Smith), 3:31.65.

HEAT THREE: 1, United States, 3:25.36; 2, East Germany, 3:27.19; 3, Sweden, 3:28.31; 4, Finland, 3:30.86; 5, China, 3:42.91.

Kayak fours 1,000 metres

(First three in each heat qualify for final)

HEAT ONE: 1, Hungary, 3min 07.16sec; 2, Sweden, 3:10.11; 3, Italy, 3:12.44; 4, Canada, 3:15.03; 5, United States, 3:15.60.

HEAT TWO: 1, Soviet Union, 3:09.07; 2, Poland, 3:10.87; 3, France, 3:11.11; 4, New Zealand, 3:15.90; Norway did not finish.

HEAT THREE: 1, East Germany, 3:06.80; 2, Australia, 3:08.52; 3, West Germany, 3:09.67; 4, Bulgaria, 3:11.56; 5, Spain, 3:13.88.

Canadian singles 1,000 metres

(First three in each heat qualify for final)

HEAT ONE: 1, A Macarencu (Rom), 4min 07.69sec; 2, J Schmidt (EG), 4:08.17; 3, I Sabjan (Yug), 4:08.75; 4, B Merritt (US), 4:16.51.

HEAT TWO: 1, I Klementyev (USSR), 4:05.06; 2, N Boukhalov (Bul), 4:07.23; 3, I Pulai (Hun), 4:10.79; 4, F Lopez (Sp), 4:16.90.

HEAT THREE: 1, L Cain (Can), 4:07.47; 2, P Pales (Cz), 4:08.84; 3, E Jamieson (GB), 4:13.44; J Pinczura (Pol), disq.

Canadian pairs 1,000 metres

(First three in each heat qualify for final)

HEAT ONE: 1, Soviet Union, 3min 46.85sec; 2, France, 3:55.25; 3, Hungary, 3:59.08; 4, China, 4:06.49; 5, Japan, 4:09.20.

HEAT TWO: 1, Poland, 3:50.45; 2, West Germany, 3:52.03; 3, Romania, 3:53.76; 4, Canada, 3:57.34; 5, Great Britain (A Train and S Train), 3:59.22.

HEAT THREE: 1, East Germany, 3:50.10; 2, Denmark, 3:51.62; 3, Bulgaria, 3:54.98; 4, Czechoslovakia, 3:56.15; 5, Yugoslavia, 3:59.04.

Women's semi-finals

Kayak fours 500 metres

(First three qualify for final)

HEAT ONE: 1, West Germany, 1min 42.09sec; 2, Poland, 1:42.55; 3, United States, 1:43.17; 4, Canada, 1:43.63; 5, Great Britain, 1:46.18; 6, France, 1:47.71; 7, South Korea, 1:51.16.

FENCING

Men

Team sabre

SEMI-FINALS: Hungary bt Italy, 9-5; Soviet Union bt France, 9-7.

FINAL: 1-2 places: Hungary (G Nebald, B Szabo, I Bujdoso, I Gedoevan, L Csongradi) bt Soviet Union (S Mindirgasov, M Burtsev, G Pogosov, A Alchan, S Koriazhkin), on touches after 8-8 tie. 3-4: Italy (G Scalzo, M Marin, G Dalla Barba, F Meglio, M Cavaliere) bt France (J Lamour, F Duchex, P Delrieu, P Guichot, H Granger-Veyron), on touches after 8-8 tie.

GYMNASTICS

Women

Rhythmic gymnastics

SCORES AFTER SECOND PRELIMINARY ROUND: 1, M Lobach (USSR), 40.00pts; 2, A Dounavska (Bul), 39.90; 3, A Timoshenko (USSR), 39.75; 4, B Panova (Bul), 39.45; 5, A Sinko (Hun), 39.05; equal 6, M-I Lloret (Sp), G Staccioli (It) and M Reljin (Yug), 39.00; 9, T Folga (Pol), 38.85; equal 10, D Schmiemann (WG) and E Bialkowska (Pol), 38.80; equal 12, M Fuzesi (Can) and M Imperatori (It), 38.70; 14, M Martin (Sp), 38.65; equal 15, Pang Qiong (China) and D Sokolovska (Cz), 38.60; equal 17, He Xiaomin (China), M Rothaar (WG) and E Akiyama (Japan), 38.50; 20, N Erfalvy (Hun), 38.45; 21, M Alevizou (Gr), 38.20; equal 22, L Oulehlova (Cz) and M Berube (US), 38.10; 24, S Cottel (Fr), 38.05; 25, E Bergmann (Austria), 37.90; 26, D Simpson (US), 37.80; equal 27, L Brihaye (Bel) and H Otsuka (Jap), 37.60; 29, Hong Sung-Hee (S Kor), 37.35; 30, P Jorge (Por), 37.05; 31, Kim In-Wha (S Kor), 37.00; equal 32, L Gautreau (Can) and A Walker (NZ), 36.95; 34, M Franzen (Den), 36.85; equal 35, P Tsitsela (Gr) and S Goldstein (Isr), 36.50; 37, R Remygolsky (Isr), 36.45; 38, L Black (GB), 36.40; 39, D Terzic (Yug), 36.00.

HANDBALL

Women

Medal round

Final positions

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
South Korea	3	2	0	1	63	61	4
Norway	3	1	1	1	59	57	3
Soviet Union	3	1	1	1	56	55	3
Yugoslavia	3	1	0	2	52	57	2

Minor placings round

Final positions

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Czechoslovakia	3	3	0	0	93	52	6
China	3	2	0	1	89	60	4
United States	3	1	0	2	68	80	2
Ivory Coast	3	0	0	3	40	98	0

HOCKEY

Men

MINOR PLACINGS GAMES: 9-10 places: Spain 2, South Korea 0. 11-12: Canada 3, Kenya 1.

Women

MINOR PLACINGS GAMES: 5-6 places: West Germany 4, Canada 2. 7-8: Argentina 3, United States 1 (aet).

JUDO

86kg

QUARTER-FINALS: B Spijkers (Neth) bt J Gyani (Hun), yusei-gachi; V Shestakov (USSR) bt D White (GB), yusei-gachi; A Osako (Japan) bt Liu Junlin (China), ippon; P Seisenbacher (Austria) bt F Canu (Fr), yuko.

SEMI-FINALS: Shestakov bt Spijkers, koka; Seisenbacher bt Osako, yuko.

FINAL: Seisenbacher bt Shestakov, yusei-gachi.

BRONZE MEDALS: Osako and Spijkers.

TABLE TENNIS

Men's singles

QUARTER-FINALS: E Lindh (Swe) bt Jiang Jialiang (China), 16-21, 21-12, 21-13, 22-20; Yoo Nam-Kyu (S Kor) bt J Persson (Swe), 19-21, 21-16, 21-15, 21-9; T Klampar (Hun) bt Chen Longcan (China), 21-19, 7-21, 11-21, 21-19, 21-19; Kim Ki-Taik (S Kor) bt J-O Waldner (Swe), 17-21, 21-17, 20-22, 21-17, 21-18.

Men's doubles

QUARTER-FINALS: Chen Longcan and Wei Qingguang (China) bt A Grubba and L Kucharski (Pol), 21-7, 12-21, 21-19; Ahn Jae-Hyong and Yoo Nam-Kyu (S Kor) bt E Lindh and J Persson (Swe), 21-13, 21-11; Kim Ki-Taik and Kim Wan (S Kor) bt Jiang Jialiang and Xu Zengcai (China), 21-18, 22-20; I Lupulesku and Z Primorac (Yug) bt M Appelgren and J-O Waldner (Swe), 21-19, 19-21, 21-19.

SEMI-FINALS: Chen Longcan and Wei Qingguang bt Ahn Jae-Hyung and Yoo Nam-Kyu, 21-10, 21-14; Lupulesku and Primorac bt Kim Ki-Taik and Kim Wan, 23-21, 19-21, 21-15.

Women's singles

QUARTER-FINALS: Li Huifen (China) bt V Popova (USSR), 21-13, 21-12, 21-19; Jiao Zhimin (China) bt Hong Cha-Ok (S Kor), 21-9, 21-9, 21-11; Chen Jing (China) bt F Bulatova (USSR), 21-4, 21-11, 21-2; M Hrachova (Cz) bt B Vriesekoop (Neth), 21-8, 21-15, 21-19.

Women's doubles

QUARTER-FINALS: Hyun Jung-Hwa and Yang Young-Ja (S Kor) bt M Kloppenburg and B Vriesekoop (Neth), 21-15, 21-12; M Hoshino and K Ishida (Japan) bt F Bulatova and E Kovtun (USSR), 21-18, 21-11; J Fazlic and G Perkucin (Yug) bt M Hrachova and R Kasalova (Cz), 21-19, 21-17; Chen Jing and Jiao Zhimin (China) bt C Batorfi and E Urban (Hun), 21-10, 21-14.

SEMI-FINALS: Chen Jing and Jiao Zhimin bt Fazlic and Perkucin, 21-19, 14-21, 21-18; Hung Jung-Hwa and Yang Young-Ja bt Hoshino and Ishida, 21-19, 21-9.

TENNIS

Men's doubles

SEMI-FINALS: K Flach and R Seguso (US) bt M Srejber and M Mecir (Cz), 6-2, 6-4, 6-1; E Sanchez and S Casal (Sp) bt S Edberg and A Jarryd (Swe), 6-4, 1-6, 6-3, 6-2.

Women's singles

SEMI-FINALS: S Graf (WG) bt Z Garrison (US), 6-2, 6-0; G Sabatini (Arg) bt M Maleeva (Bul), 6-1, 6-1.

VOLLEYBALL

Women

FINAL: Soviet Union bt Peru, 3-2 (10-15, 12-15, 15-13, 15-7, 17-15). 3-4 places: China bt Japan, 3-0 (15-13, 15-6, 15-6). 5-6: East Germany bt Brazil, 3-1 (15-9, 15-4, 11-15, 15-11). 7-8: United States bt South Korea, 3-2 (15-4, 12-15, 13-15, 15-9, 15-8).

WEIGHTLIFTING

Over 110kg

OVERALL POSITIONS: 1, A Kurlovitch (USSR), snatch 212.5kg (Olympic record), jerk 250.0 (Olympic record), 462.5 (Olympic record); 2, M Nerlinger (WG), 190.0, 240.0, 430.0; 3, M Zawieja (WG), 182.5, 232.5, 415.0; 4, M Martinez (US), 175.0, 232.5, 407.5; 5, P Hudecek (Cz), 175.0, 225.0, 400.0; 6, R Elbatory (Egypt), 175.0, 217.5, 392.5; 7, C Garzarella (Aus), 162.5, 207.5, 370.0; 8, P Saltsidis (Gr), 160.0, 207.5, 367.5; 9, M Vine (GB), 157.5, 195.0, 352.5; 10, J Bergman (US), 167.5, 185.0, 352.5.

Final medals table

	G	S	B	Total
Soviet Union	6	2	0	8
Bulgaria	2	1	1	4
East Germany	1	1	1	3
Turkey	1	0	0	1
Hungary	0	2	0	2
China	0	1	4	5
West Germany	0	1	2	3
South Korea	0	1	1	2
Romania	0	1	0	1
Poland	0	0	1	1

● Two Bulgarian gold medal winners and a Hungarian silver medal winner were disqualified for doping. Other competitors in their categories moved up one place.

WRESTLING

Freestyle

48kg

FINAL: 1-2 places: T Kobayashi (Japan) bt I Tzonov (Bul), superiority. 3-4: S Karamchakov (USSR) bt T Vanni (US), pts. 5-6: R Heugabel (WG) bt I Sukruoglu (Tur), passivity. 7-8: V Anger (EG) bt N Zeinalnia (Iran), w/o.

62kg

FINAL: 1-2 places: J Smith (US) bt S Sarkisyan (USSR), pts. 3-4: S Chterev (Bul) bt A Fallah (Iran), pts. 5-6: J Helmdach (WG) bt A Enhe (Mongolia), pts. 7-8: G Schillaci (It) bt G Bohay (Can), pts.

90kg

FINAL: 1-2 places: M Khadartsev (USSR) bt A Ota (Japan), pinned. 3-4: Kim Tae-Woo (S Kor) bt G Toth (Hun), pts. 5-6: J Scherr (US) bt R Alabakov (Bul), pts.

WOMEN'S JUDO

(Demonstration sport)

Up to 66kg

SEMI-FINALS: H Sasaki (Japan) bt S Hachemi (Alg); B Deydier (Fr) bt A Schreiber (WG).

FINAL: Sasaki bt Deydier.

BRONZE MEDALS: R Hartl (Austria) and Park Ji-Young (S Kor).

BRITISH MEDALS

GOLD: A Moorhouse (swimming: men's 100 metres breaststroke); M Cooper (shooting: smallbore free rifle, three positions); S Redgrave and A Holmes (rowing: men's coxless pairs); M McIntyre and B Vaile (yachting: Star class).

SILVER: I Stark (equestrianism: three-day event); M Phillips, K Straker, V Leng and I Stark (equestrianism: three-day event team); A Allan (shooting: smallbore free rifle, three positions); N Gillingham (swimming: men's 200 metres breaststroke); L Christie (athletics: men's 100 metres); C Jackson (athletics: men's 110 metres hurdles); F Whitbread (athletics: women's javelin).

BRONZE: A Jameson (swimming: men's 100 metres butterfly); V Leng (equestrianism: three-day event); R Phelps, D Mahony and G Brookhouse (modern pentathlon team); Y Murray (athletics: women's 3,000 metres); S Redgrave, A Holmes and P Sweeney (rowing: men's coxed pairs); K Brown (judo: 71kg class); R Woodhall (boxing: light-middleweight).

MEDALS TABLE

	G	S	B	Total
Soviet Union	39	22	36	97
East Germany	31	25	23	79
United States	23	20	23	66
West Germany	10	10	10	30
Hungary	9	5	5	19
Bulgaria	7	8	9	24
Romania	5	10	6	21
Great Britain	4	7	7	18
Italy	4	4	4	12
South Korea	4	3	7	14
France	4	3	4	11
China	3	9	10	22
Poland	2	4	7	13
Australia	2	4	4	10
Japan	2	3	5	10
Norway	2	3	0	5
Netherlands	2	2	2	6
Czechoslovakia	2	2	1	5
New Zealand	2	1	7	10
Yugoslavia	2	1	3	6
Denmark	2	1	1	4
Finland	1	1	2	4
Kenya	1	0	2	3
Morocco	1	0	2	3
Spain	1	0	2	3
Austria	1	0	0	1
Portugal	1	0	0	1
Surinam	1	0	0	1
Turkey	1	0	0	1
Sweden	0	3	6	9
Switzerland	0	2	2	4
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Greece	0	0	1	1
Mongolia	0	0	1	1
Pakistan	0	0	1	1
Philippines	0	0	1	1
Thailand	0	0	1	1

KEY

Alg: Algeria; Arg: Argentina; Aus: Australia; Bah: Bahamas; Bar: Barbados; Bel: Belgium; Berm: Bermuda; Bol: Bolivia; Br: Brazil; Bul: Bulgaria; Can: Canada; Col: Colombia; Cz: Czechoslovakia; Den: Denmark; Dom Rep: Dominican Republic; Ec: Ecuador; EG: East Germany; El Sal: El Salvador; Fin: Finland; Fr: France; GB: Great Britain; Gr: Greece; Guy: Guyana; HK: Hong Kong; Hon: Honduras; Hun: Hungary; Ice: Iceland; Indo: Indonesia; Ire: Republic of Ireland; Isr: Israel; It: Italy; Jam: Jamaica; Ken: Kenya; Lux: Luxembourg; Mal: Malaysia; Mex: Mexico; Mor: Morocco; Neth: Netherlands; Nor: Norway; NZ: New Zealand; Pak: Pakistan; Pan: Panama; Par: Paraguay; Phil: Philippines; Pol: Poland; Por: Portugal; P Rico: Puerto Rico; Rom: Romania; Saud: Saudi Arabia; Sing: Singapore; S Kor: South Korea; Sp: Spain; Swe: Sweden; Switz: Switzerland; Tan: Tanzania; Thai: Thailand; Tri: Trinidad and Tobago; Tun: Tunisia; Tur: Turkey; UAE: United Arab Emirates; Uga: Uganda; Uru: Uruguay; US: United States; USSR: Soviet Union; Ven: Venezuela; Viet: Vietnam; WG: West Germany; Yug: Yugoslavia; Zam: Zambia; Zim: Zimbabwe.

TODAY AND TOMORROW

TELEVISION

Today

BBC1: -0630 (live), 0630-0855, 0900-1025, 1105-1255, 1900-2100, 0000-0630 (tomorrow).
BBC2: 1415-1600.
ITV: 1100-1300, 1330-1400, 1715-1745, 1800-1830.
C4: -0700 (live), 0700-0930, 2320-0700 (tomorrow).

Tomorrow

BBC1: -06.30 (live), 0630-0855, 0905-1705, 2330-0630 (Sunday).
ITV: 1130-1300, 1615-1645, 1705-1745.
C4: -0700 (live), 0700-0930, 2320-0700 (Sunday).

PROGRAMME

Today

ARCHERY: Men: 0130, semi-finals; 0530, finals. Women: 0130, semi-finals; 0530, finals.

ATHLETICS: Men: 2300-0240, 50km walk; 0030, discus, qualifying round; 0110, 4x400m, heats; 0340, 1,500m, semi-finals; 0425, 4x100m, heats; 0520, 3,000m steeplechase, final; 0545, 4x400m, semi-finals. Women: 0040, 4x400m, heats; 0200, 100m hurdles, semi-finals; 0330, shot, qualifying round; 0400, high jump, final; 0410, 100m hurdles, final; 0450, 4x100m, heats; 0610, 4x400m, semi-finals; 0640, 10,000m, final.

BASKETBALL: Men: 0045, 5th/6th place match: Brazil v Canada; 0300, final: Soviet Union v Yugoslavia.

CANOEING: Men: 500m, finals: 0000, K1; 0030, C1: 0130, K2; 0200, C2. Women: 500m, finals: 0100, K1; 0230, K2.

EQUESTRIANISM: 0100, individual jumping, second qualifying round.

FENCING: Men: 0000, épée, team, elimination round; 1100, épée, team, final.

FOOTBALL: 1000, 3rd/4th place match: West Germany v Italy.

GYMNASTICS: 0900, rhythmic, final.

HANDBALL: Men, final round: 0100, United States v Japan; 0230, Algeria v Spain; 0500, Iceland v East Germany; 0630, Sweden v Czechoslovakia.

HOCKEY: Men: 0000, 5th/8th place match: Pakistan v India; 0200, 7th/8th place match: Soviet Union v Argentina. Women: 0400, 3rd/4th place match. Great Britain v Netherlands; 0615, final: Australia v South Korea.

JUDO: 0800, half-heavyweight (up to 95kg).

SYNCHRONISED SWIMMING: 0030, solo final.

TABLE TENNIS: Men: 0230, doubles, 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th places; 0330, doubles, 3rd and 4th places; 0920, singles, 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th places; 1220, doubles, final. Women: 0200, doubles, 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th places; 0300, doubles, 3rd and 4th places; 0830, singles, 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th places; 1100, doubles, final.

TENNIS: 0200, men: singles, final: M Mecir (Cz) v T Mayotte (US); women: doubles, final: J Novotna and H Sukova (Cz) v P Shriver and Z Garrison (US).

VOLLEYBALL: Men: 0045 and 1130, semi-finals; 0300, 11th/12th place: Tunisia v South Korea; 0900, 9th/10th place: Italy v Japan.

WATER POLO: 0430 and 1000, final rounds.

WRESTLING: Freestyle: 0100, 52kg, 57kg, 68kg, 74kg, 82kg, 100kg and 130kg, preliminaries. 0830, 57kg, 68kg, 82kg and 130kg, preliminaries; 52kg, 74kg and 100kg, finals.

Tomorrow

ARCHERY: Men: 0130, team, semi-finals; 0530, team, finals. Women: 0130, team, semi-finals; 0530, team, finals.

ATHLETICS: Men: 0335, 4x100m, semi-finals; 0345, discus, final; 0410, 1,500m, final; 0430, 5,000m, final; 0515, 4x100m, final; 0600, 4x400m, final. Women: 0315, 4x100m, semi-finals; 0325, shot, final; 0355, 1,500m, final; 0455, 4x100m, final; 0535, 4x400m, final.

BOXING: 0100, finals.

CANOEING: Men: 1,000m, finals: 0000, K1; 0030, C1; 0130, K2; 0200, C2; 0230, K4. Women: 0100, K4, 500m, final.

EQUESTRIANISM: 2300, individual jumping final.

FOOTBALL: 1000, final: Brazil v Soviet Union.

HANDBALL: Men: 0700, 3rd/4th match place: Yugoslavia v Hungary; 0830, final, Soviet Union v South Korea.

HOCKEY: Men: 0400, 3rd/4th place match: Netherlands v Australia; 0615, final: West Germany v Great Britain.

JUDO: 0800, heavyweight (over 95kg).

SYNCHRONISED SWIMMING: 0030, duet final.

TABLE TENNIS: Men: 0250 and 0430, singles, semi-finals; 0920, 3rd/4th place; 1230, final. Women: 0200 and 0340, singles, semi-finals; 0830, 3rd/4th place; 1100, final.

TENNIS: 0200, men: doubles, final: K Flach and R Seguso (US) vE Sanchez and S Casal (Sp); women, singles, final: S Graf (WG) v G Sabatini (Arg).

VOLLEYBALL: Men: 0045, 7th/8th place; 0300, 5th/6th place.

WATER POLO: 0430, final rounds; 1000, final.

WRESTLING: Freestyle: 0100, 57kg, 68kg, 82kg and 130kg, preliminaries; 0830, 57kg, 68kg, 82kg and 130kg, finals.

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Courage alone is not enough for toiling Thompson

From David Miller, Seoul

Daley Thompson is a wise old owl. Aged 30, he has been 12 years at the top in international decathlon competition, and although hampered here by a previously undisclosed thigh strain received a few days ago, he knew that the opposition was also off form.

So for two days he kept going, gambling that he might steal a medal. His fortitude helped produce a thrilling climax to the event yesterday despite the lowest scoring in an Olympic Games since 1972.

Thompson ultimately finished fourth, denied a bronze medal on the last event by a strong 1500 metres from Dave Steen, of Canada. The winner was Christian Schenk, of East Germany, aged 23 and a medical student, with a total of 8,488 points. Schenk had been fifth in last year's world championships. Torsten Voss, also of East Germany, who had won in Rome, was second.

"If everyone else had been doing well, I would have dropped out," Thompson said *afterwards*, his left thigh strapped like a burst waterpipe. "I'm really upset. More so than *in Rome* last year." In Rome he had finished ninth, also when injured.

The depth of his competitiveness, which has won him eight major championships, was doubly evident yesterday. After the high hurdles and discus he was still lying third overall, his overnight position. Then, on his first attempt at the pole vault, his pole snapped in two places on lift-off — a rare and unpredictable occurrence with a glassfibre pole. It damaged his left hand and inflicted the kind of emotional jolt upon the nerves which might finish a lesser man.

He shook himself like a half-drowned dog, cleared the bar at 4.70 metres at his second attempt, and went on to record 4.90 metres, which was below his best but enough to retain fourth place. Voss had now moved ahead of him, with Plaziat, of France, maintaining second position.

With a personal best in the javelin of 64.04 metres, Thompson heaved himself back to third, though around him other positions were fluctuating. Schenk and Voss were in front, but Plaziat, with a poor throw in his worst event, had fallen to seventh. The danger for Thompson now lay immediately behind.

Tim Bright, an American who cannot make up his mind whether to be a pole vaulter or a decathlete, had climbed higher and higher in the vault until he reached 5.70 metres. He had finished fourth in the Olympic pole vault trials, and his height yesterday would have placed him seventh in the open pole vault the day before.

Also threatening were Pavel Tarnovetski, of the Soviet Union, who was third in Rome, and Steen, now in eighth place and 120 points behind Thompson, but with a strong 1500 metres potential.

Bright's prolonged vaulting on his own had thrown the schedule awry. The first round of the javelin throwers had concluded while Bright was attempting 5.80 metres. When Thompson and the rest finally got to the line for the last race at 9.20 p.m. the competition's second day had been running 13 hours. A full-scale dress rehearsal of the closing ceremony was being delayed, the main stadium more full with bandsmen and dancers than it had been for the discus at *lunchtime*.

A large knot of British spectators gathered level with *the finishing line*, bedecked in Union Jacks, and the Korean *musicians kept up a percussion* of cymbals throughout the race.

The press and *television* ranks were still packed in hundreds, a testimony primarily to *Thompson's reputation*: never mind that, in his one blind spot of immaturity, he still treats the Press *with ill*-mannered discourtesy. He has latterly refused to speak to *The Times*, for instance, because my colleague, Pat Butcher, excluded Thompson — correctly, as it proved — *from his* medal forecasts.

But now, for all his injuries, he was running with characteristic guts. He slotted in at the back of the field alongside Bright, who needed to beat him by some 10 seconds to take the bronze, and 10 yards astern of Tarnovetski, who had to beat him by more. Way out ahead, Steen was the unknown factor.

On the final lap Thompson somehow managed to accelerate, left Bright and Tarnovetski behind, and had the thirteenth fastest time of 4min 45.11sec. But Steen, two years his junior, had recorded 4:23.20, the fourth-best time, and had taken the bronze behind Schenk and Voss.

Thompson limped away, a dispirited figure. "I don't want to make excuses, but I have *this little injury*," he said, trying to put on a brave face. Two defeats have dented his *image of invincibility*. There is no knowing how much a wife and child have reduced *his competitive thirst, his* incentive to train for countless hours each week.

"I'm going to continue — for another two or three years I reckon". The voice was optimistic, yet seemed not to measure what will be required to come back. Schenk will get better while Thompson's snap in the explosive sprinting and jumping events has declined.

He has reached that point at which, even when fit, courage alone cannot carry him through. He can, however, look back upon a unique *career. The recognition of that* yesterday came with the handshakes from his rivals before *they went their own ways off* into the night.

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Breaking point for great Olympian

Olympic snap-shots: an aerial view of Thompson's pole breaking, the athlete examining the damage (top, right) and his leg strapped in the 1500 metres

Exposing myth of steroid euphoria

New York (Reuter) — The qualities many athletes *attribute to steroids* first came to notice in the 19th century when a European physiologist made an extract from the testicles of a cockerel, injected himself and raved about the results.

"He was trying to identify what was later identified as testosterone, the male hormone," said Dr Joseph Fetto, a sports medicine specialist who advised the International Olympic Committee (IOC) in 1980 on steroids, drug abuse and testing.

"In an ethically dubious experiment — I'm drawing a blank on *his* name but he was a fairly prominent guy — he administered this extract to *himself* and reported enhanced virility, potency and vigour. The whole myth derived from *that anecdote*."

Dr Fetto, a director of the Department of Sports Medicine at New York *University* Medical Centre, as well as all other experts are unanimous that *abuse of anabolic steroids* does nothing but harm to athletes physically.

They are, in fact, damaging their hearts, livers, reproductive organs and psyches. Cancer and *benign* tumours often accompany prolonged abuse. For women, add infertility and even *sterility*.

Athletes could achieve the same conditioning results by working harder, but the drugs, synthetic testosterone made in the laboratory, give them a "steroid euphoria."

McKoy leads Canadian sprint exodus

From Charles Bremner
Toronto

Another top Canadian sprinter yesterday flew home from the Seoul Olympics, sharpening fears of widespread doping in the national team, while Ben Johnson further anguished his fans by selling his first public statement to a West German magazine.

Mark McKoy, who belongs to the same Toronto club as Johnson, abandoned the 4 x 100 metres relay team, saying he was depressed over the events of recent days. He faces disciplinary action.

As public opinion was swinging back to support Johnson as a possibly innocent victim, news broke that *he had sold his story to Stern* magazine. The high-priced deal was fixed by Larry Heidebrecht, his business manager, minutes after his disqualification in Seoul on Tuesday following a postive dope test after he had finished first in the 100 metres last Saturday.

Children maintained a vigil of support outside Johnson's house in the suburb of Scar*borough yesterday as two* German journalists entered for their interview. But a light *aircraft that had been towing a* pro-Johnson banner through Toronto's *skies for the past two days failed to appear.*

Officials in Toronto said they understood another member of the team, Desai Williams, had also abandoned the relay event. Like Johnson, both Williams and McKoy undertook heavy weight-training programmes administered by Charlie Francis at the Toronto Optimists' Club.

Francis, nicknamed "Charlie the Chemist" by local *athletes, is at the centre of the* doping charges along with Dr Mario "Jamie" Astaphan, the *Caribbean doctor who devel*oped muscle-building programmes for Johnson and other *Optimists athletes*. On Wednesday, Angella Issajenko and Keturah Anderson, two women sprinters who trained under Francis, were withdrawn from the 200 metres.

Francis, a former sprinter himself, and Dr Astaphan, have denied administering steroids. But sports officials confirmed yesterday that the Ontario College of Physicians and other bodies had received complaints about Dr Astaphan's alleged steroid use over the past two years. The college launched an inquiry this week.

Dr Astaphan, aged 39, was said by trainers in Toronto to have been running what amounted to a "drug camp" *on St Kitts, his native Carib*bean island.

Yesterday, he emerged from seclusion to say on television that he had given Johnson injections of another type of steroid, cortico-steroids, a "legitimate" drug, in May as a treatment *for* bursitis. He attributed Johnson's sudden increase of strength and build over the past two years to "hard work" and a "monstrous appetite".

Against the wishes of Francis, Johnson went to *Dr* Astaphan's St Kitts clinic for treatment to a hamstring injury last May.

The Canadian Government yesterday tried to calm the uproar over the Johnson affair by promising a fair hearing for the runner after the Games. The inquiry will summon witnesses under oath and it is expected to amount to an investigation of possible dope-*taking throughout Canadian* athletics.

Johnson's athletics career may be over, *but American* football teams from around Canada and the United States, including the Dallas Cowboys, have been sounding him out as a possible player. Great bulk and speed are highly prized in the multi-billion-dollar professional sport.

- The entire Canadian athletics team may be tested for *illegal drug use, possibly be*fore they leave Seoul, Diane Clement, the team leader, said Thursday.
- Johnson's natural testosterone levels were 15 times lower than they should have been, indicating extensive steroid use, Dr Robert Masse, the acting director of the Canadian Centre for Doping *Control*, said on Wednesday.
- Richard Pound, the Canadian on the International Olympic Committee's executive board, said yesterday that weightlifting should be dropped from future Games, following the expulsion of five lifters for drug offences at Seoul. He intends to propose this at the next meeting of the IOC executive board in December in Vienna.

Davis given nine-game ban

By Stuart Jones, Football Correspondent

Paul Davis, the Arsenal midfield player who was *seen* on television to punch Cockerill and fracture his jaw, yesterday received *the heaviest penalty* to be imposed by the Football Association. Found guilty of *bringing the game into* disrepute, he was suspended for nine matches and fined £3,000.

Davis admitted that his "aggravated assault" during the *League* game against Southampton a fortnight ago *was premeditated*. Although he pleaded guilty to the offence, he told the disciplinary committee *that he felt he had* "a grievance". He claimed that he had earlier been the victim of provocation.

The FA's response to his uncharacteristically deliberate and violent retaliation is savage. Glen Kirton, the press officer, stated that the punishment was "appropriate for the crime" but it seems that Davis, though his reaction was unforgivably shameful, has paid a higher price for being caught in the act by the television cameras.

In a similar but less publicized case, Walsh was last year ordered to miss six of Leicester City's games after breaking the jaw of Geddis of *Shrewsbury Town. Dennis*, after being sent off for the ninth time in his persistently *ill-disciplined* career, *was sus*pended for eight of Queens Park Rangers matches last season.

Kirton said that the FA's decision was "not a demonstration" but added: "The game is under a magnifying glass and it is seen by millions of people on television. All incidents are likely to be covered by the cameras and players must be seen to behave properly."

Although Davis's damaging left hook was not witnessed by any of the three officials and no report was received by the FA, some of their representatives were present at Highbury and saw the incident for themselves. Even if it had *not* been captured on film, Kirton believes that prompt action would still *have been taken*.

The ball was some distance away at the time and the attention of most spectators was focused elsewhere but not that of Bobby Robson. The England manager was sur*prised by the misconduct of* the 26-year-old he considers to be the natural successor to *Bryan Robson in the national* team.

Davis, who has appeared 11 times as an over-aged player in the under-21 side, was included in the senior squad for last month's match against Denmark. He is unlikely to be retained for the World Cup qualifying tie against Sweden

No one serving a domestic suspension may be considered for a friendly international but he can, like Butcher in Yugoslavia a year ago, be available for a competitive fixture. Robson will seek the advice of the FA's executive committee, which is to meet on Tuesday. Their view is not expected to be favourable.

One punch has cost Davis *an estimated £5,000 (he has* also been penalized financially by his club) as well as probably *his place, albeit temporarily*, in his country's World Cup squad.

Argentina invited to Rous Cup

The Argentinian national football team has been invited to compete in the Rous Cup at Wembley next year, according to reports yesterday (Louise Taylor writes).

The Argentinian Foreign Ministry has discouraged sportsmen from travelling to Britain since the Falklands War. It is now believed that Argentina is prepared to adopt a more flexible approach towards sporting relations.

Argentina beat England 2-1 **in the World Cup quarter-finals in Mexico in 1986, and *Maradona*, who scored a controversial goal in the match, has since played in England.**

Events could be dictated by the outcome of a meeting of the United Nations assembley, which is due to hold its annual *debate on the Falklands in* November. The debate will be led by Dante Caputo, the *Argentinian Foreign Minister*, who is president of the UN assembley.

SPORT IN BRIEF

Late start for show

The Horse of the Year show, which usually opens to the *public from Monday to Sat*urday, has been reduced by one day this year and will start on *Tuesday October 10* bacause of the tight scheduling of the Wembley Arena. As a result the Variety Club, the traditional beneficiary of the opening night, will miss out on proceeds.

Cup reprieve

Wigan and Widnes have delayed their Lancashire Cup rugby *league* semi-*final until* October 12 because both teams have players on duty for New Zealand in the World Cup final. Salford play Warrington on October 5 in the other semi-final. In the semi-finals of the Yorkshire Cup Leeds entertain Hull and Halifax host Castleford.

Cash missing

Sydney — Pat Cash and Ivan Lendl have withdrawn from the Australian indoor tennis championships on October 9 because of injury.

Foulds: second title

Wait is over

Neal Foulds ended a two year-wait for his second major title when he defeated Steve Davis 5-4 *in the Dubai Duty Free* Masters snooker tournament.

Bout in doubt

Barry McGuigan has virtually conceded *defeat in his quest* for the European super-featherweight title against Piero *Morello* because the Italian has requested too much money for the bout.

Boxing ban

Seoul — The International Amateur Boxing Association yesterday banned Israeli boxers from competition for five years and suspended the Israeli *Boxing Association* for sending a 17-member team to South Africa earlier this year.

Moving aside

Mike Ford, the scrum half, has relinquished the captaincy of struggling Oldham rugby league club in an effort to regain his form. Paul Taylor, the Australian, will take over *the role*.

Skater out

Injury has forced Midori Ito, of Japan, to withdraw from the Skate Electric ice skating contest at Richmond next week

Bad timing

Headingley were deprived of a place in the final of the Europe Cup badminton championships because their *return* flight from Moscow was timed to leave with the side still competing in the semi-finals.

Pakistan move to invite India

Lahore — If the England tour is called off, and both boards are refusing to issue a statement, Pakistan may invite *India to come here instead* for three or four one-day internationals (Richard Streeton writes). *These would have to* be completed before India play New Zealand in their first Test match on November 12.

Pakistan and India are already taking part with West Indies in Sharjah between October 16 and 22. They are *also due to play in the Asia* Cup from October 27 to November 4 in Bangladesh.

Pakistan officials are not yet convinced that India will not allow England's tour. Pakistan still believe that the South African question should have been left to the International Cricket Conference meeting in January as originally agreed.

Pakistan, *apparently, de*bated briefly whether England should be invited to visit *Pakistan instead*.